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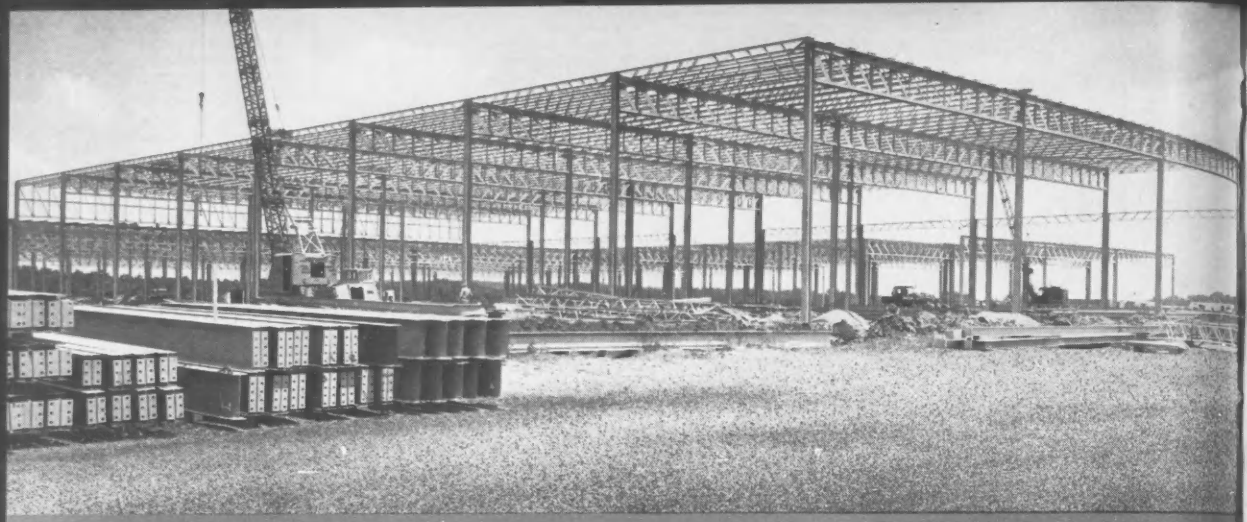

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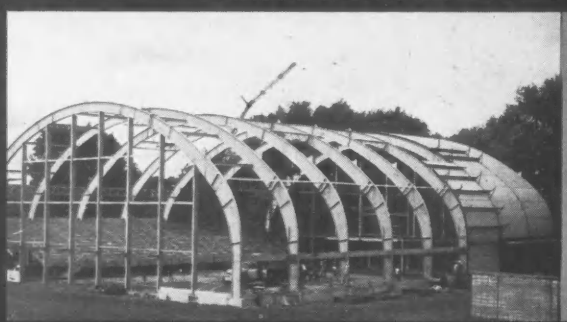

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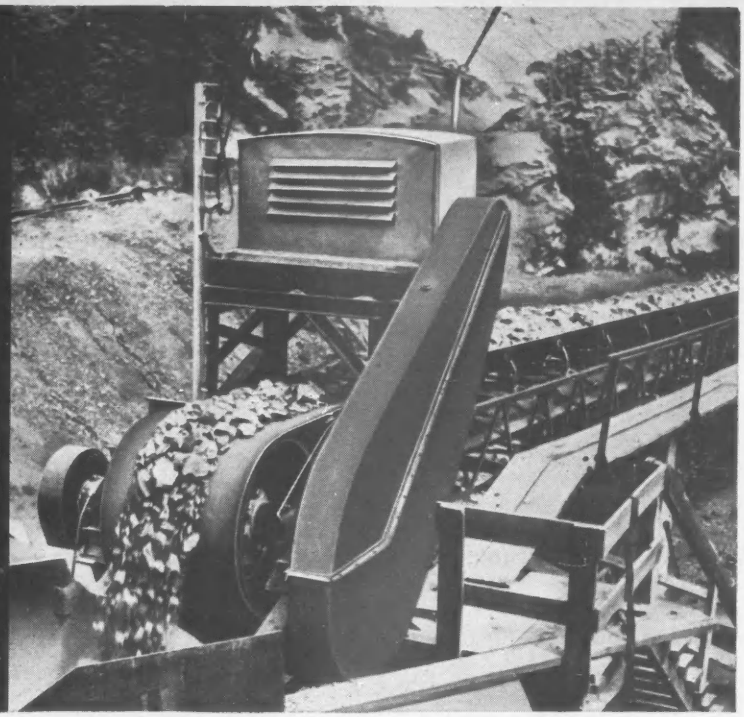

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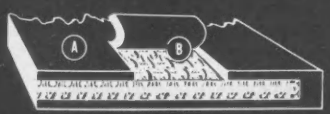

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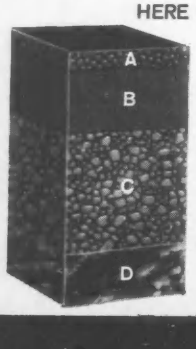
STAGE CONSTRUCTION IN WIDTH—This new section of N. Carolina's Interstate 85 is a good example of *stage construction in width*. Two new lanes (left), built with DEEP STRENGTH Asphalt pavement, have been constructed alongside existing two lanes of Route 70 (right) to form a new section of this Interstate Highway. This combination of DEEP STRENGTH Asphalt pavement and *stage construction* is helping states to stretch construction dollars and still provide necessary highways quickly.



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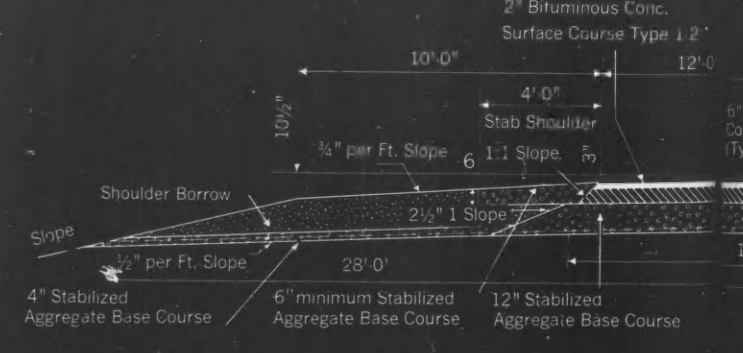

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For new Guilford County section of Interstate No. 85, North Carolina Highway Engineers have chosen DEEP STRENGTH Asphalt pavement.

In Guilford County, engineers faced a difficult problem. The native soil in this area contains extensive strata of silty clay with high moisture content which could weaken the support of a finished road. To eliminate this threat to Interstate 85, the foundation was carefully proof-rolled with a 50-ton pneumatic tire roller to locate weak areas. These areas were then strengthened by replacing silty clay with suitable materials or installing necessary sub-drainage. It was only after this painstaking effort that actual construction of the pavement structure was begun.

In building this new part of Interstate 85, N. Carolina engineers followed several precepts of DEEP STRENGTH Asphalt pavement design. Notice in pictures and cross-section (below) the use of **6 inches of Asphalt base under 2 inches of Asphalt concrete surface course . . . Asphalt surface treated outside shoulder . . . depressed median for good drainage . . . heavy proof-rolling of the subgrade . . . and use of high-contact pressure pneumatic tire proof-roller on the aggregate base course.** Here is strength and durability!

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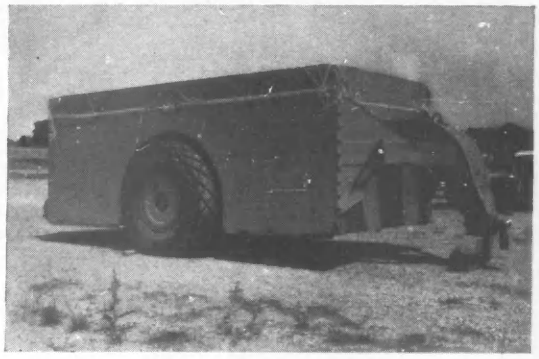
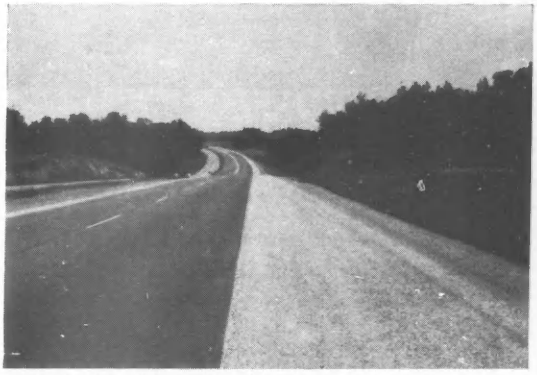


Heavy compaction—This 50-ton rubber tire roller was used to proof-roll the subgrade. The aggregate base was proof-rolled with a 25-ton pneumatic tire roller exerting 82 psi contact pressure.



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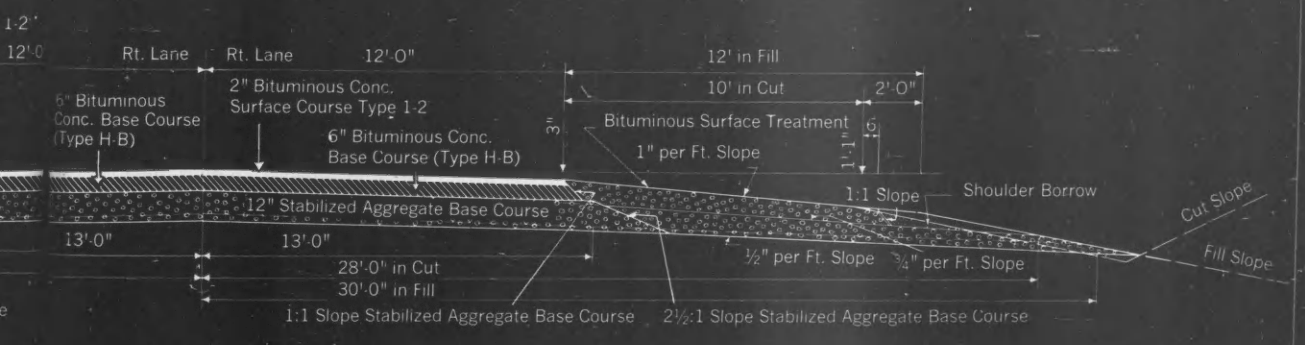

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What we found revealing was the contempt some engineers have for public opinion. The statements that only critics come to hearings, that hearings are window dressing, and that departments no longer rely on public hearings, show how well the taxpaying public, those who are relocated or otherwise disrupted, are considered in the vast highway destruction and chaos that is now going on. The statements made to the writer of the article confirm the FORTUNE magazine quotation about highway engineers riding roughshod over local interest.

No matter how noble the intention of highways may seem, we must consider the far-reaching social consequences of what is happening. Engineering done out of social context, without consideration of long-range effects, can do irreparable damage.

LEO WILENSKY
Director
Pedestrian League of America
New York, N. Y.

Watch Those Volts

SIR—I read with much interest the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. ad (ENR Oct. 27, p. 20) regarding the danger of electric shock on construction jobs.

I have found that the best way to avoid this danger altogether is to use a transformer that drops line load down to 32 volts for lamps and small equipment installed in damp places. On construction where I have been in charge I have never allowed the use of 110 or 220 volts in extension cords.

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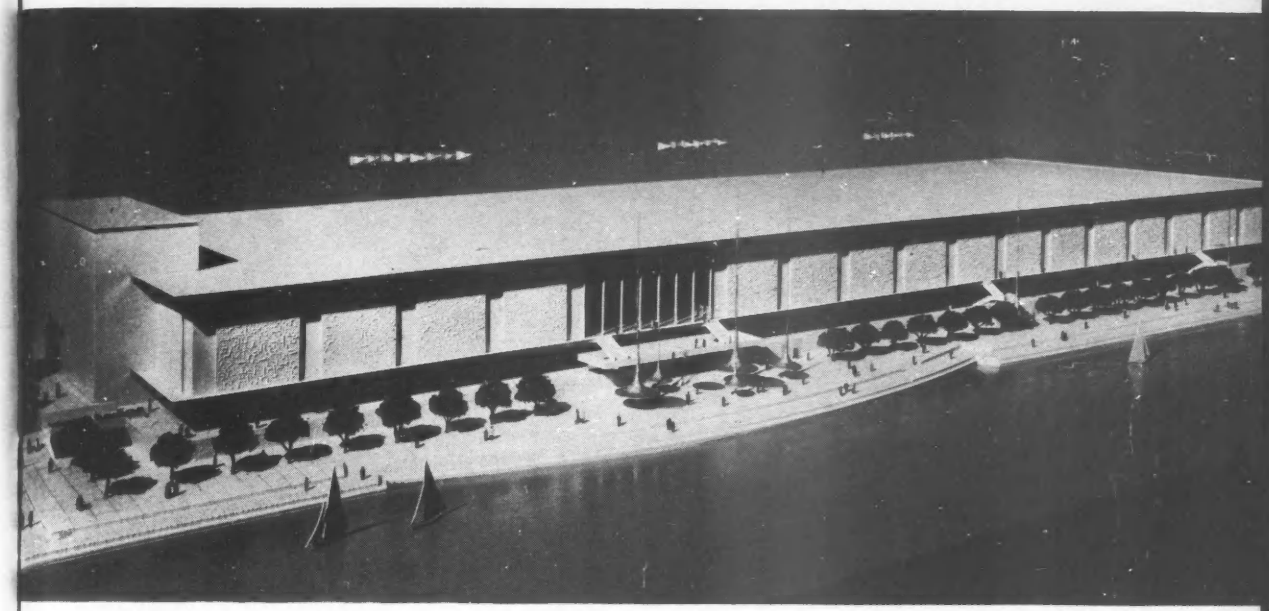

—from piling to finished steel in 18 months

The first steel piles for Chicago's $34 million Exposition Center were delivered by United States Steel in October, 1958. Eighteen months later, on March 24, 1960, the last big steel beam was set in place. This gives you an idea of how fast a job moves when it's designed in steel.

This mammoth Exposition Center fulfills a dream of the late Colonel Robert R. McCormick. Three decades ago, he envisioned such a structure on Chicago's lake front. The main building encloses an area larger than six football fields. The height will vary from 40 feet to that of a 10-story building.

USS **United States Steel**

McCormick Place, Chicago's $34 million Exposition Center

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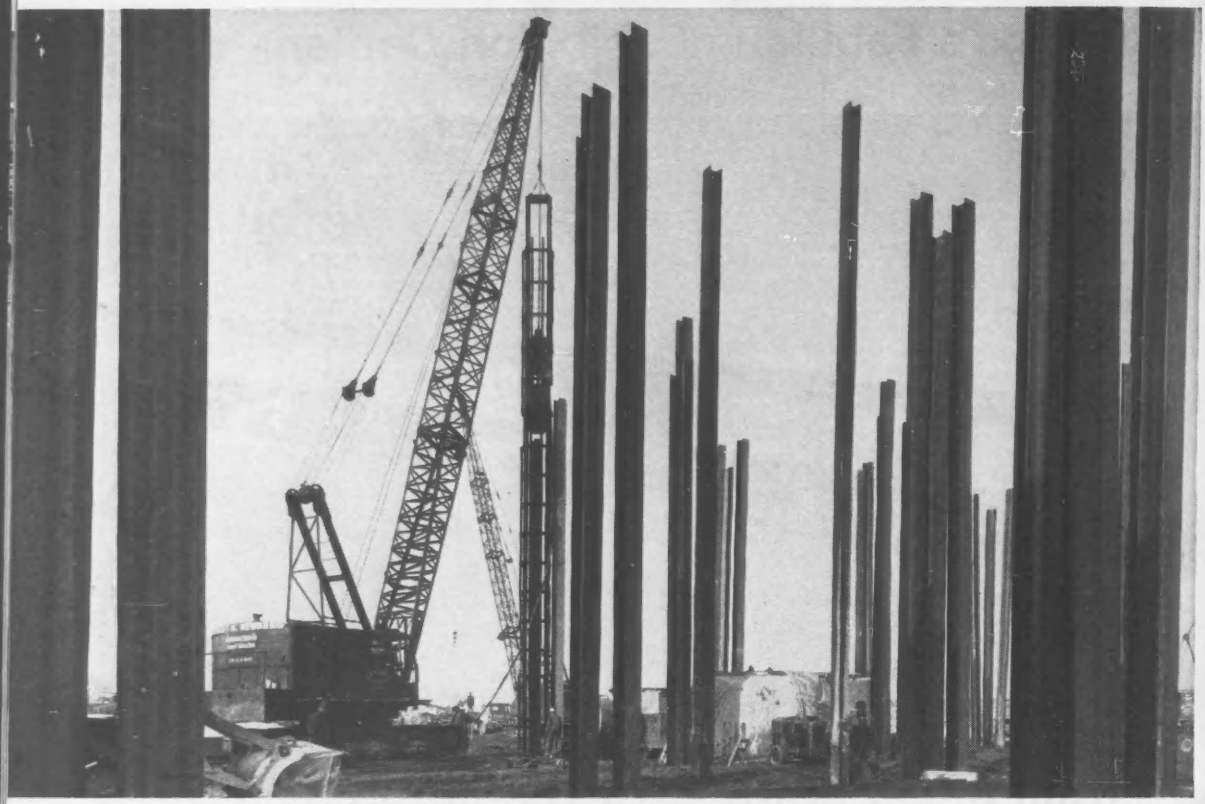
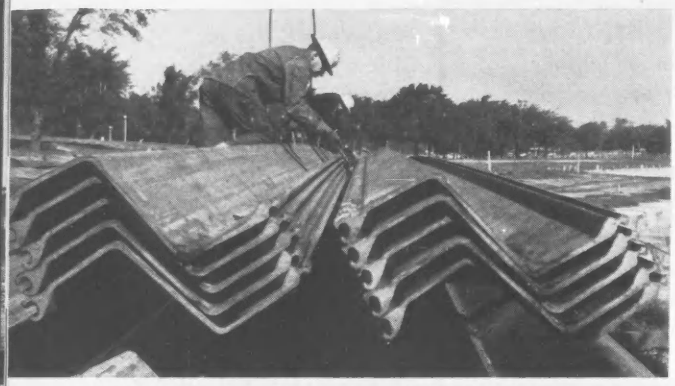


Firm foundation. Clusters of 5 USS H-Piles driven 80 feet deep, capped in concrete to form building column foundations.



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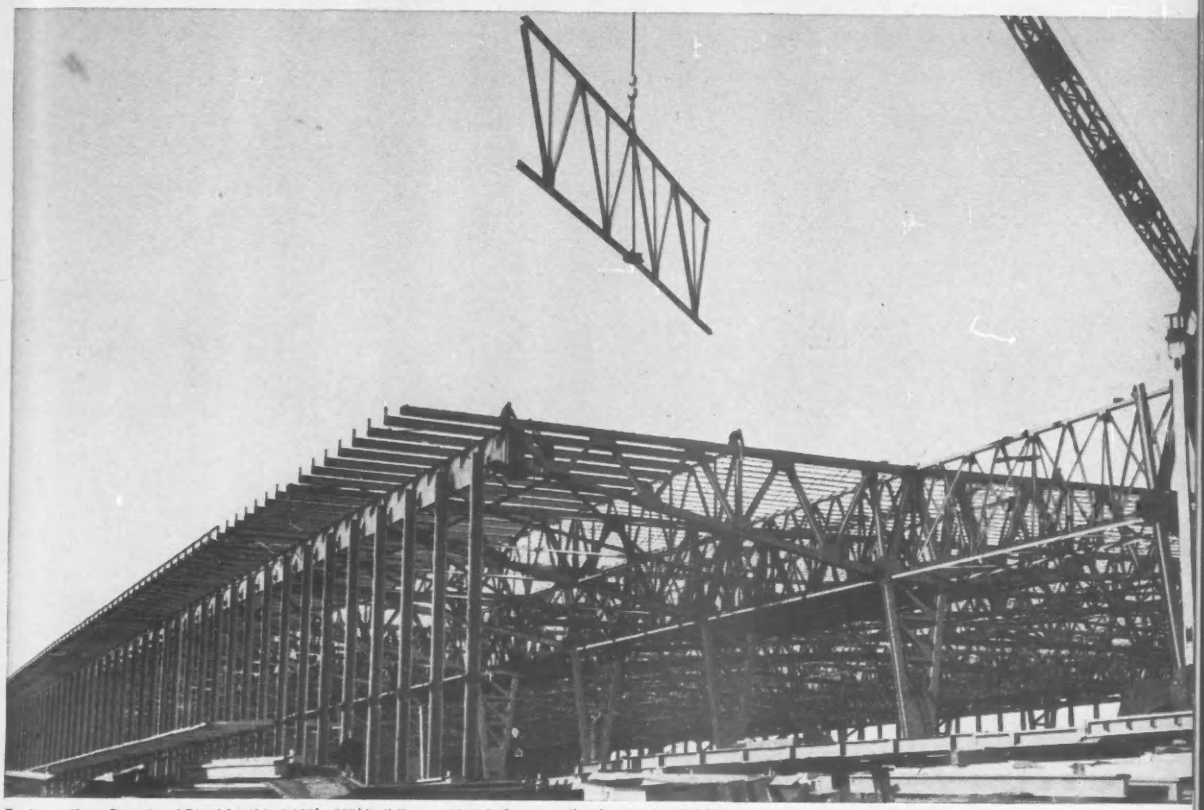

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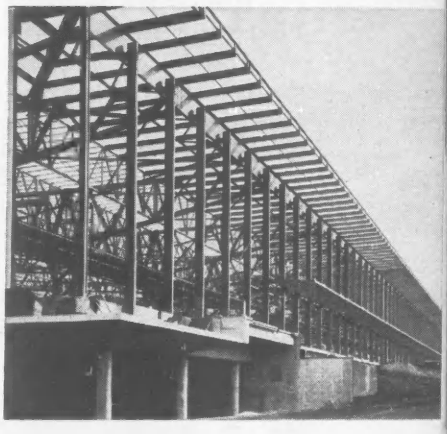

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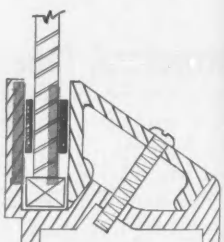

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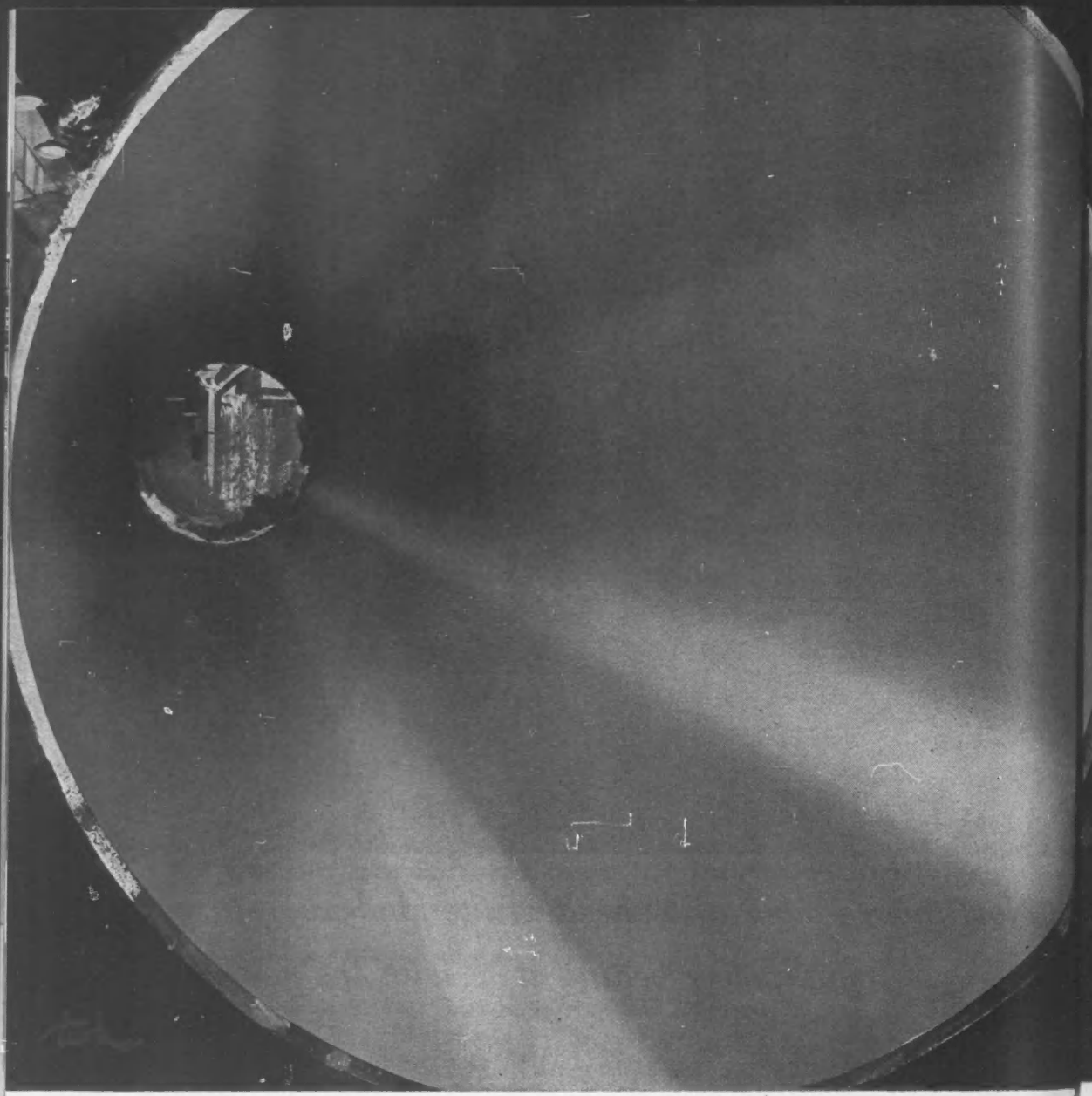

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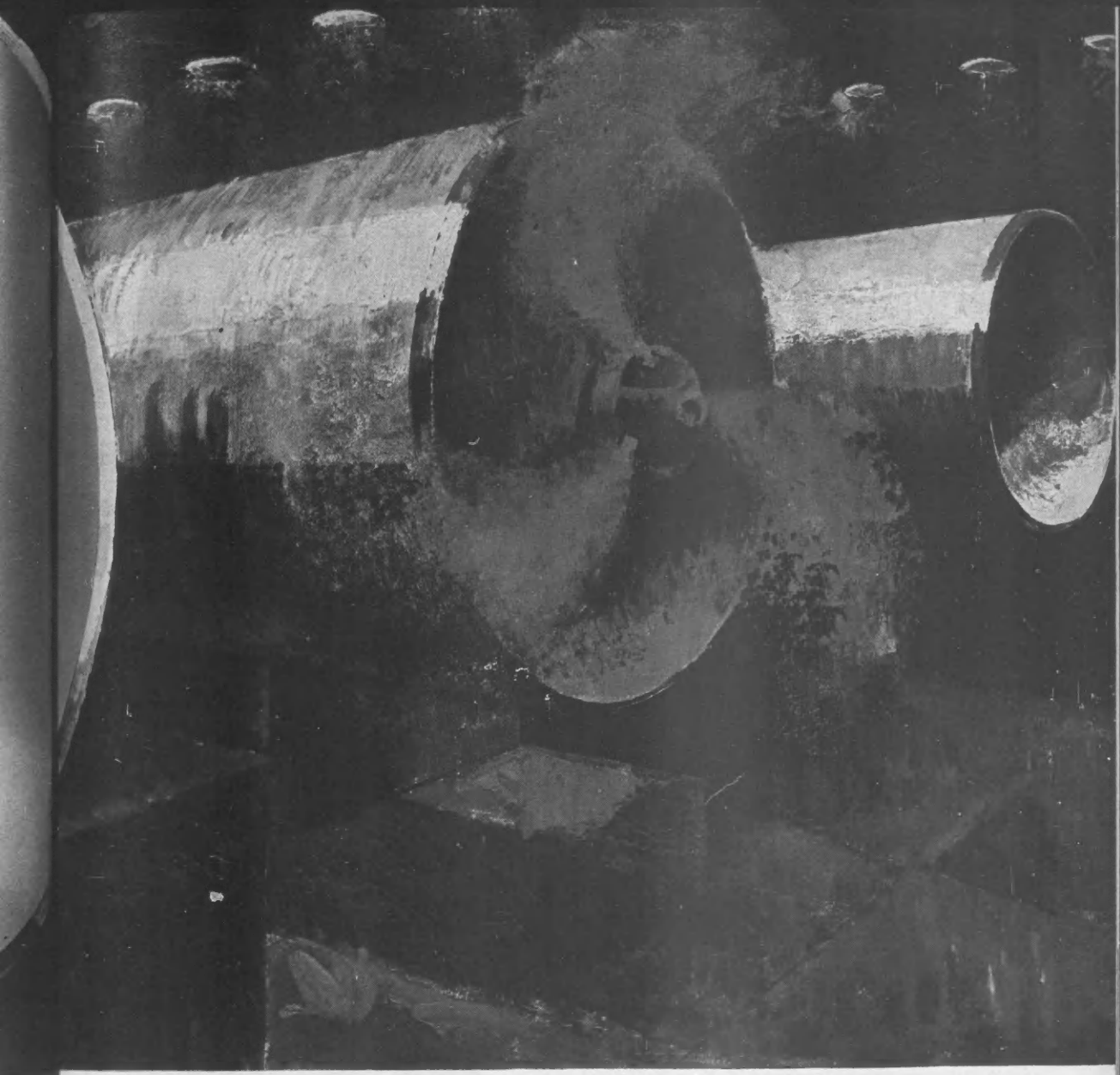

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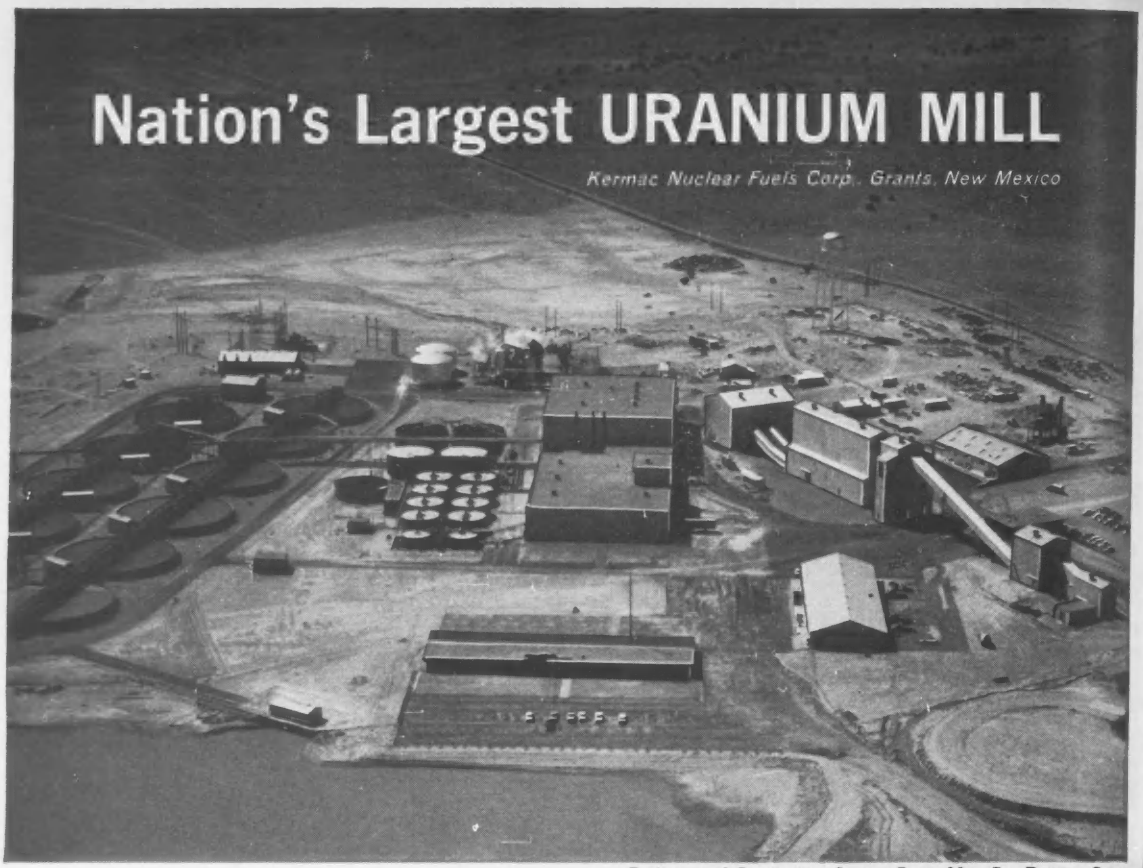

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THE CONSTRUCTION WEEK

WHY IT FAILED—Bearing failures at the beam-column connections caused the building collapse that killed five workmen in Harrisonburg, Va., last month (ENR Dec. 1, p. 30). That's the conclusion of three investigating consultants hired by Concrete Structures, Inc., fabricators and erectors of the prestressed concrete framing. Six laboratory load tests form the basis of the conclusion. Meanwhile, another team of experts engaged by the owner and architect is investigating the collapse.

IF IT WAS GOOD ENOUGH IN '39 . . .—When a design board of big-name architects handed in preliminary plans for the New York World's Fair, the members were thanked, the group disbanded—and the plans discarded. Instead of the various new looks offered by the architects, Fair president Robert Moses favors a plan based on utilities, roads and services left over from the 1939 World's Fair. The board included Wallace K. Harrison, Edward D. Stone, Henry Dreyfuss, Gordon Bunshaft and Emil H. Praeger.

35 PRESTRESSED STORIES—A 35-story office building to go up in Los Angeles next year may be of prestressed concrete. If so, it will be a record—nearest contender is a 24-story building in Hawaii (ENR Oct. 6, p. 34). T. Y. Lin Associates are working out a design to meet seismic requirements. Lin reports prestressed concrete would save 5 lb of steel per sq ft—a $600,000 saving in the $20-million structure.

LONG STRIKE ENDS—Acceptance of a three-year, 75-cent wage offer ended an 18-week strike of elevator constructors in New York City this week. Separate agreements were reached with the manufacturers and with building contractors and investing builders. Settlement of a conflict over prefabrication was held in abeyance pending renegotiation of the union's national agreement in 1962.

VOLPE STEPS DOWN—AND UP—John a Volpe, governor-elect of Massachusetts, resigns as president of Associated General Contractors of America, effective the end of this month. AGC vice president M. Clare Miller, the nominee for president in '61, will finish out Mr. Volpe's term, which runs to the end of February.

POLITICAL PROBLEM—The American Road Builders Association usually alternates contractors, private engineers and state road engineers in the presidency. A state engineer is due in '61 and Ralph R. Bartelsmeyer, chief engineer of the Illinois Division of Highways, is the nominee. The problem: Mr. Bartelsmeyer may be out of government service when a new state administration takes over next month. Odds are he'll get the ARBA job anyway. He is a past-president of the American Association of State Highway Officials.

GRIFFIN **Solves Another Dewatering Problem!** To build 11 double piers for the Chicago-to-St. Paul Expressway Bridge over the fast-flowing Wisconsin River, contractor procedure called for constructing three earth cofferdams in the coarse sand, gravel and boulders of the river . . . Typical of construction speed was the progress made in only 10 weeks in the cofferdam shown above: • Construct cofferdam—2 weeks • Install Wellpoint system and dewater to grade—one week • Excavate, drive piles and pour concrete up to river level—7 weeks.

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WASHINGTON OBSERVER

Cabinet selections point to:

- **More construction spending**
- **But no budget busting**

● **The Kennedy Cabinet begins to shape up.** It is a "moderate liberal" group which will work toward vigorous federal programs without busting the budget.

David E. Bell, 41, the new Budget Director, believes the bureau should play a stronger role in coordinating the President's policies among the different departments, knocking heads together and insisting on priorities.

He sees public construction as a priority item. Mr. Bell is no bookkeeper. He is an economist, now chief administrative officer of the Harvard School of Public Administration. Associates say he is sensitive to social welfare needs and keen on economic development of underdeveloped areas, particularly long-term capital development, such as roads, dams, power and harbors.

It is significant that President-elect Kennedy reached outside the political arena for this job. Mr. Bell had no part in the campaign; Senator Kennedy knew him only casually. He is an experienced government servant, having been in the Budget Bureau and on the White House staff under President Truman.

Gov. Luther Hodges as Secretary of Commerce, sits well with private industry. His major accomplishment as governor of North Carolina was in recruiting new industry to the state. He believes strongly that the government should provide full incentive for expansion of the economy by giving business as free a hand as possible.

As Health-Education-Welfare Secretary, Gov. Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut will back strong federal grant-in-aid programs for construction of schools, sewage treatment plants, hospitals. As governor he was impressed with the difficulty of seeking more big capital at the local and state levels, already pushed to their financial limits by postwar population explosions into the suburbs.

He will certainly back the federal aid to school construction program narrowly defeated last year. Indications are he will support congressional Democrats seeking to double sewage construction money. But as governor he kept a tight rein on the budget, was by no means a big spender.

Capital development in Africa will be backed by Gov. G. Mennen Williams as Assistant Secretary for African Affairs. Whatever African aid is proffered will probably mean long-term construction.

Depressed areas loom big in the Kennedy scheme of things. The new committee to come up with plans for stimulating new business in the chronically depressed areas is steered by a Kennedy man, Myer Feldman. So what it reports will be a signal of what the new President wants to do.

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● **Congressional investigators began putting on their record this week details of the Florida highway scandals** which had, for the most part, been made public by Florida state investigators (ENR Dec. 1, p. 35). Before the hearings end, the Blatnik committee expects to dig into disposal of valuable property on right-of-way—which staff aids say will develop information not fully covered by the Florida investigators.

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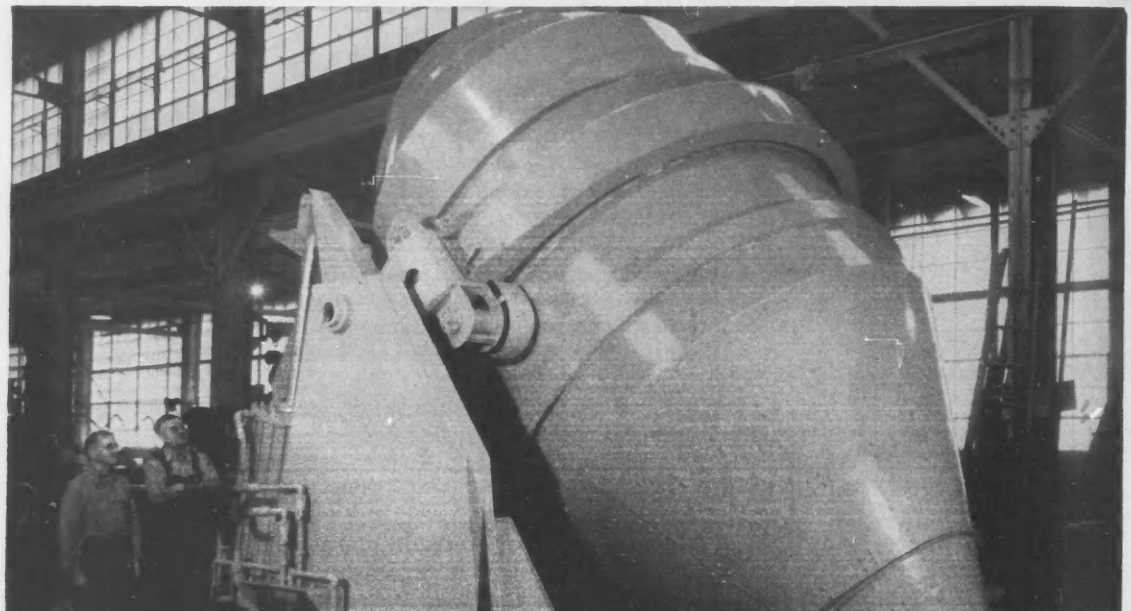

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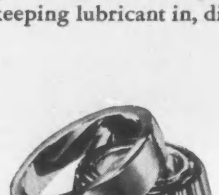

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U.S. Control Worries Road Men

- **AASHO fears the scandals uncovered by the Blatnik committee may eventually lead to greater federal control of highway building.**
- **Organization takes a tentative step into the field of contract management with publication of a project procedures guide.**
- **Armstrong says there's nothing to fear from contract controls—provided engineer and contractor stay within the specs.**

The nation's state highway officials are outwardly nonchalant to the criticism congressional hearings have heaped on the federal-aid road program, but they're moving to improve its administration.

The more than 2,000 highway administrators and engineers gathered in Detroit last week for the 46th annual meeting of the American Association of State Highway Officials coupled a quiet pride in highway construction progress with a growing sense of concern with the emerging role of the federal government in the highway program. And as an answer to demands for even greater federal control they took positive steps to improve contract management at the state level.

On the credit side, Bertram D. Tallamy, outgoing Federal Highway Administrator, spelled out the accomplishments and scale of the expanded highway program to date in these terms:

- Nearly one-quarter of the 41,000-mile Interstate system is now in use.
- Construction contracts were completed on 106,000 miles of ABC roads since 1956.
- Payment of federal funds to the states in the last 4½ years was in excess of federal-aid highway payments in the preceding 40 years.
- Use of modern methods and equipment has overcome initial shortages of engineers and materials.
- Highway research has been productive.
- Highway construction has stimulated industry, business, housing, and recreation; has increased land values.

Mr. Tallamy, who shortly will submit his resignation from the country's top highway post, has directed the preparation of the new cost estimate for completion of the Interstate system, which is due to be submitted to Congress next month (ENR Aug. 25, p. 23).

"The new cost estimate will not differ materially from that submitted in 1958, and I can tell you at this time it will not be greater," he told the AASHO meeting.

The executive committee of AASHO and highway department administrative officers have approved publication of the new "Information Guide" for project procedures, an effort to tighten up contract management that comes largely in response to findings of malpractice by the Blatnik committee.

Developed by a special committee on project procedures headed by Maine's David H. Stevens, retiring AASHO president, the new guide marks the first entrance of the association into the field of contract management. Heretofore, project procedures had been held to be the prerogative of each individual member department.

Although not binding on the member departments, the guide offers specific information intended to strengthen contract control at the project level. Sections of the guide cover: grading and minor structures; paving-type determination and documentation; flexible pavements; rigid pavements; channels of project supervision; and right-of-way.

Dwight H. Bray, Kentucky State Highway Engineer and newly elected president of AASHO, put it this way:

"The committee . . . has worked diligently to try to come up with a set of administrative ground rules that will insure proper and honest construction work. . . . The committee finds need, in some cases, for more and better trained inspection personnel on certain types of construction; but the principal recommendation has been that more checks and cross-checks were necessary to be certain to detect either incompetence or dishonesty on the part of any concerned personnel at all administrative levels."

And, speaking for the contractors who build the roads, Clare Miller, president-elect of the Associated General Contractors of America, warned:

"These guide lines should zealously guard against the possibility of limitations on production. Our costs are almost completely determined by our respective abilities to produce; any inspection procedures that might reduce production potentials would inevitably result in higher costs.

"The tail would be wagging the dog, if production is reduced to fit procedures rather than testing procedures expedited to fit production," Mr. Miller asserted.

The state highway departments made it obvious at the AASHO meeting that they intend to guard zealously the key role they have had in the federal-aid highway program since its inception. With the coming of 90-10 money on the Interstate system, many of them feel the federal government is playing too large a role, usurping some prerogatives that have traditionally belonged to the states.

"The federal-state relationship which has existed for 44 years is definitely threatened," said David Stevens, "by the trend towards centralization in the federal government, the very size of the national highway program, and improper practices on the part of some of the states. Whether or not the traditional federal-state relationship in the highway field will continue to exist will depend upon whether or not the states are capable of demonstrating that they have the ability, honesty and integrity to meet the criticism which will be leveled against the program.

"If the states cannot satisfactorily demonstrate that they do have the ability to carry on the program in the proper manner then the federal-state relationship will be further modified or

eliminated. It will be a tragic day for the states if either should occur," concluded Mr. Stevens.

Fred Quinnell, Jr., Montana State Highway Engineer, decried "a gradual imposition of (federal) controls that threaten to impair, if not destroy, the initiative and self-determination of the state highway departments.

"No contention exists as to the right or desirability of the Bureau of Public Roads to maintain over-all coordination on the national level. No one questions their sincerity of purpose," Mr. Quinnell said. "Yet, there is contention as to the necessity for the extent of their surveillance of the departments through the ever-increasing number of checks and balances to maintain their control; a system that is becoming more and more restrictive and, in many cases, more and more destructive of the principle of true partnership."

Ellis Armstrong, outgoing Commissioner of Public Roads, defended the role of the federal government. "Any project engineer or contractor who is performing in accordance with plans and specification requirements should not be fearful of the results of record samples and tests taken and tested by other parties. No one should be aroused because of cross-checks of performance in the highway business," he said. "These are a normal part of all responsible public and private business activities.

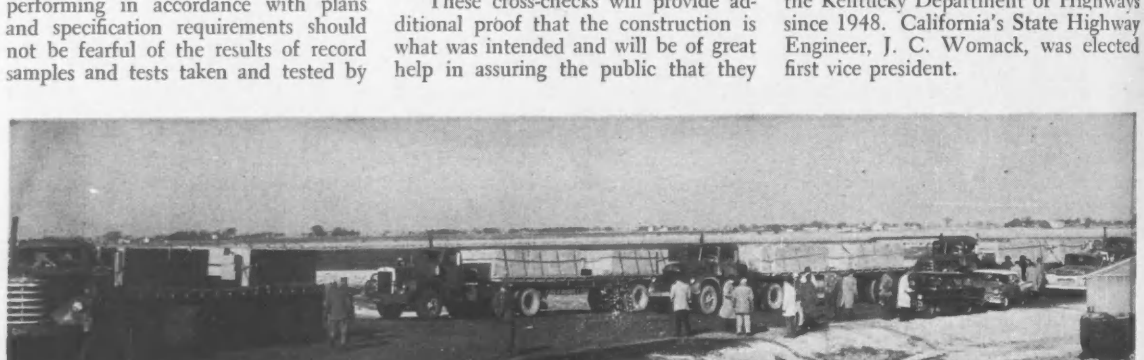
"These cross-checks will provide additional proof that the construction is what was intended and will be of great help in assuring the public that they are receiving full value for their dollars invested in highways," Mr. Armstrong declared.

AASHO President Dwight H. Bray

In a meeting of chief administrative officers, AASHO took one of the preliminary steps necessary to sponsorship of a continuing research program. If approved by the states, AASHO will sponsor research projects with funds contributed each year by the member departments; money pledged by the states would be a portion of each state's share of federal funds earmarked for research and planning.

Rex M. Whitton, chief engineer of the Missouri State Highway Commission, was given the Thomas H. MacDonald Award for "continuous outstanding service." Mr. Whitton, who has more than 40 years experience with the Missouri department, is the first man to receive both of AASHO's top awards; in 1958, he received the Bartlett Award for "outstanding contributions to highway progress."

Dwight H. Bray, AASHO's new president, has been chief engineer of the Kentucky Department of Highways since 1948. California's State Highway Engineer, J. C. Womack, was elected first vice president.



After 17 Million Miles, Road Test Ends

Some of the nation's top highway officials took a day away from the AASHO meeting in Detroit (see above) to watch the last vehicle make its run on the test road at Ottawa, Ill., last Wednesday.

As the last truck made its last loop, the $27-million road test was completed. Its analysis and report remained to be done.

It ended a two-year, 17-million mile driving marathon that totaled 1.1 million applications of specific axle loads to each of the many test sections of rigid and flexible pavement.

Of the 836 test sections in the project, 716 were subjected to truck axle loads of 12,000 lb single to 48,000 lb tandem. The test project also includes 18 short-span bridges of structural steel, prestressed and reinforced concrete.

The brief ceremonies last Wednesday were attended by Ellis Armstrong, F. C. Turner and E. H. Holmes, of the Bureau of Public Roads; D. E. Stevens, D. H. Bray and A. E. Johnson of AASHO; Pyke Johnson and Fred Burgraff of the Highway Research Board; and E. R. Bartelsmeyer, Illinois State Highway Engineer.

The fleet of test trucks which reached a total of 126, piled up 310-million ton-miles of operation and consumed 3.7 million gal of fuel.

The trucks were driven by members of the Army Transportation Corps who totaled 895,000 man-hours of driving. The top driver logged 76,700 miles.

Special bridge tests will be continued this winter and next spring. Heavy military vehicles will also be used for further testing of the pavement sections during the spring thaw next year. Ultimately the eight-mile test project will be rehabilitated and incorporated in Interstate Route 80.

The test project is in charge of the Highway Research Board of the National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council. W. B. McKendrick, Jr., is project director.

The test project is financed by the states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, BPR, Automobile Manufacturers Association, American Petroleum Institute and American Institute of Steel Construction.

Twin Cities Get $100-Million Plan

Action to solve the mounting water pollution problems of the Minneapolis-St. Paul area was outlined in an engineering report released last week by the Minneapolis-St. Paul Sanitary District. The report calls for a $100-million sewerage construction program and establishment of a 1,056-sq mi metropolitan area sanitary district.

Over half the construction money would be spent by 1970, the remainder by the year 2000. Proposed works include interceptors, pumping stations and sewage treatment plants.

The report is the result of a five-year study. It was authorized by the Sanitary District in 1956 and carried out by the St. Paul consulting engineer firm of Toltz, King, Duvall, Anderson & Associates, Inc.

Sanitary District officials and others interested are now studying the report. It could become the basis for implementing action by the 1961 session of the Minnesota legislature.

Actual construction would begin in 1963 and would proceed in three stages. First, $55-60 million would be spent by 1970. Work would be accelerated for the first three years. Second, about $11 million would be spent from 1970 to 1980. Third, the remainder would be spent during the final 20 years.

The enlarged sanitary district would encompass a rectangular area measuring about 30 x 34 miles, extending into parts of seven counties: Hennepin, Ramsey, Anoka, Washington, Dakota, Scott and Carver. It would include 82 cities, villages and townships. The Minneapolis-St. Paul Sanitary District now covers only the two central cities; but through sewage service contracts and ordinances, it serves an additional area of 193 sq mi, including 24 suburbs and several agencies.

Existing sewerage facilities in the metropolitan area are inadequate now, the report points out. Eleven publicly owned and several privately owned plants treat a total of 170 mgd. The Minneapolis-St. Paul plant was designed for an average daily flow of 134 million gal, but now treats over 150 mgd of the area total. Instead of the 910,000 maximum population the plant was designed to serve, it now serves just over a million. Population projections for the proposed new district show that 2 million in 1980 and 2.6 million in 2000 will be served by sewer systems.

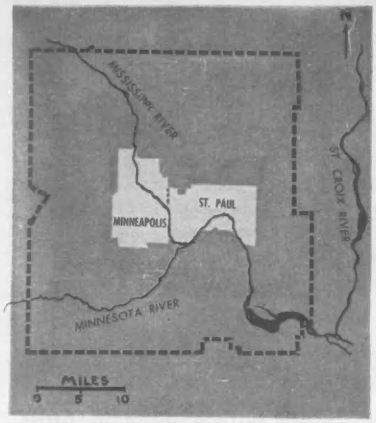
Total population in the seven-county metropolitan area is now about 1.52 million. It is expected to increase to 2.32 million by 1980 and to 3 million by 2000. Contamination of ground water supplies is forcing many suburban communities to replace their individual home septic tanks with public sewer systems.

The Minneapolis-St. Paul plant is basically primary only, but also provides intermediate treatment in the form of flocculation and chemical dosing when the river is low. The new plants would provide secondary treatment.

Four alternate projects are recommended in the report. Basic to each is a main central city treatment plant and one downriver regional plant. One of the four involves one upriver plant in addition, and another involves two upriver plants. No firm conclusions have been reached on the degree of treatment needed at each plant, but the estimates are based on the assumption that the conventional activated-sludge process is needed upriver and high-rate activated sludge will suffice downriver.

Estimated construction costs of the four projects range from $95 million to $105 million. A fifth alternate, involving individual treatment plants for the communities in the area, would have cost $151 million. Annual costs over the 40-year construction period will vary from $6.3 million to $6.7 million, the report says. Cost per capita is estimated at about $3.50 per year.

The cost estimates are based on an ENR Construction Cost Index of 800. An index value of 830.61 this week (see p. 83) shows present costs running close to 4% higher.



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Water Tunnel Must Beat Bridge

New York City had better get going soon on its proposed 6½-mile water tunnel to Staten Island, city officials were urged last week. The alternative is to get caught short by a population explosion starting in 1964 when the Narrows Bridge opens.

The warning came in the form of engineering recommendations submitted by the Board of Water Supply to the Board of Estimate, which controls city spending. The report was the result of a 16-month study authorized by the Board of Estimate.

The project will cost $31.1 million, according to Board of Water Supply estimates: $24.1 million for the tunnel itself, a 33,000-ft-long, 10-ft-dia, concrete-lined bore; $1.4 million for a pipeline in Staten Island connecting the tunnel to existing Silver Lake Reservoir; and $5.5 million for covered storage reservoirs in Staten Island (one of New York City's five boroughs).

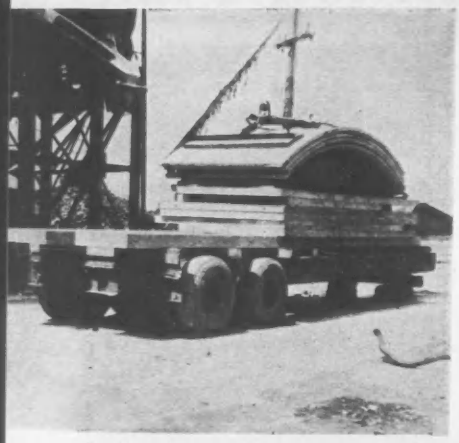
Tunneling, the most time-consuming part of the job, could start as early as this summer if the Board of Estimate gives fast approval and no snags develop in property acquisition and other preliminaries.

The tunnel will be driven under a single contract. It will require a 900-ft-deep shaft at each end. Whether it will be driven from one heading or two, however, will be left to the contractor to decide.

The covered reservoirs will have a capacity of 100 million gal. The design has not been definitely settled. A possibility is about 10 prestressed concrete tanks 200 ft in diameter. Their storage level would be about 40 ft higher than the level of Silver Lake Reservoir.

The new works are expected to meet Staten Island water demands through the year 2000 and possibly beyond. Population projections made by the Board of Water Supply show the borough's population increasing from 221,000 at present to 590,000 in 1975 and 700,000 in 2000. Peak daily demand is projected from 40 million gal a day in 1957 to 120 mgd in 1970 and 170 mgd in 2000.

Flow capacity of the proposed tunnel would be 300 mgd, well beyond the maximum consumption foreseen. However, the tunnel in conjunction with the new higher reservoirs would have an added function to that of supplying Staten Island water. They would help maintain pressure in areas of Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens now subject to pressure drops during peak demand periods. This function would not necessarily involve backflow from Staten Island, but backflow might occur during extreme demand periods.



1. **Simple panels move on trucks.**

2. **They arrive at 30-acre site 45 miles from plant.**

4. **Vacuum mats handle roof beams spanning across curved end-wall panels.**

Six Steps to Produce a House

Builders are rushing completion of 100 precast concrete homes for hurricane victims in the Humacao area of east central Puerto Rico.

The homes are going up at a cost to the Puerto Rican government of only $1,000 each. The builders and material suppliers—all involved in commercial housing projects on the island—are absorbing losses on the job to make the price possible. The program was proposed by IBEC Housing Corp. (a subsidiary of the International Basic Economy Corp., New York City) within hours after Hurricane Donna cut across the island early in September.

Here is what IBEC and the contributing suppliers will deliver: A house shell—nearly 650 sq ft in area—on a foundation slab measuring about 21 x 30 ft with front and back doors and eight jalousie-type windows installed. Openings are provided for later plumbing installations. The immediate goal is to get families out of crowded lowland tent areas.

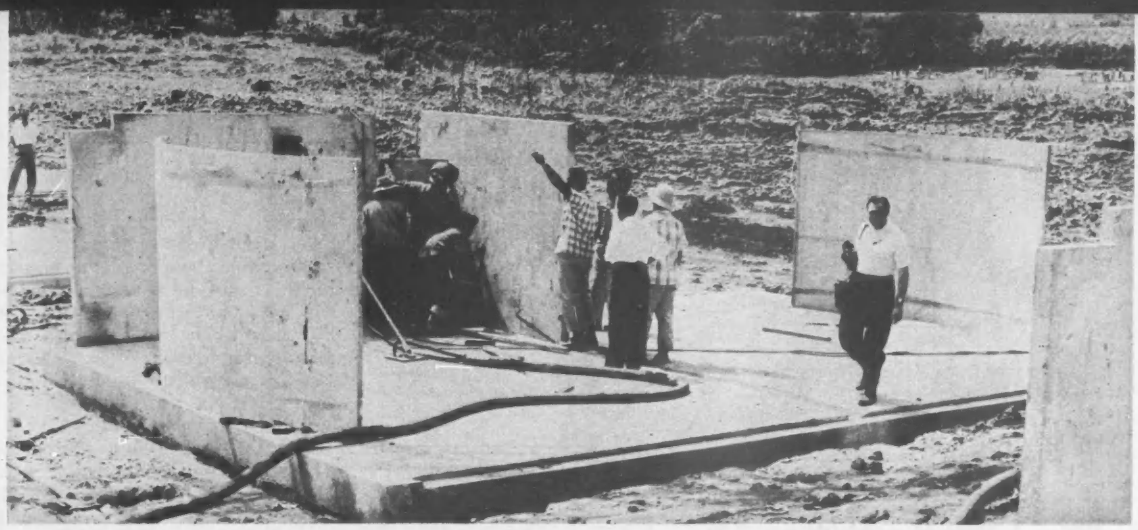
Drawing on existing plans and on tested components planned for future commercial projects, IBEC is erecting a precast house that includes curved end-wall panels and a twin barrel arch roof.

Components are precast in IBEC's yard at their Lomas Verdes housing project near San Juan and trucked 45 miles to the job. The entire package includes 12 elements: six flat wall sections, two curved wall sections, two roof beams and two roof sections.

Two wall panels go along each side and a pair of transverse wall panels cut across the short axis of each house. At the ends of the house—21 ft wide—curved wall panels fill the center with openings at either side for a window and a door. These curved shell walls are only 2 in. thick, reinforced with a 6x6 8-ga mesh and at the corners with a single bent No. 3 bar extending 2 ft along each edge. Their curve is just over 2 ft; chord length is 11 ft 9 in.

The roof shells, 5 tons each, rest on beams placed across the ends of the house. The beams' 2-ft 6-in. width is enough to "cover" the entire 2-ft width of curve in the end wall panels directly below them.

Each roof shell bears on the end beams and on the transverse wall panels for a total of six points—three to each side of each shell. They are 2 in. thick and reinforced with the same 6x6 8-ga highway mesh as the curved wall panels, but three No. 3 bars, bent to follow the stress pattern around the



3. As wall panels are plumbed, welder tacks connections, eliminating double steps.

5. Two five-ton roof shells cover each unit. Six welds per shell tie them down.

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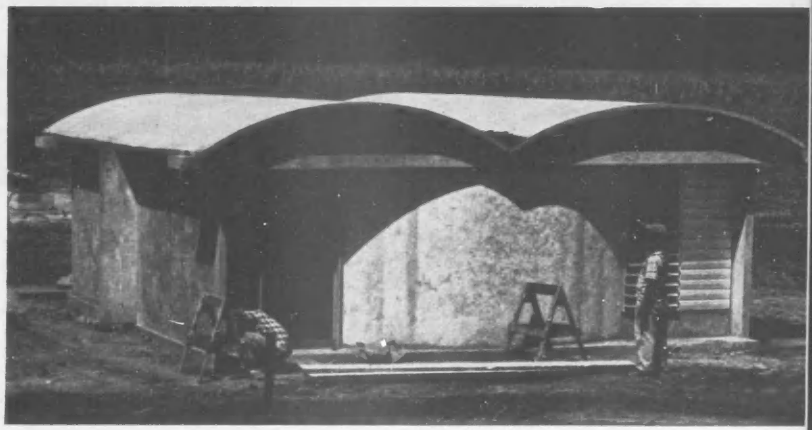
bearing points, are embedded lengthwise in each side of each shell.

Erection is quick and simple. A crew of seven erected one house in an hour to test the design for high-speed construction. Side and transverse wall panels rest in slots cast across and along the edges of the foundation slab. Bent rod loops serve as lifting eyes along the top edge of each panel; a simple channel picking frame on a truck crane shifts the units from truck to foundation. Largest wall panel weighs 2½ tons. A welder works side by side with the placing gang, running connections between panels and from panels to foundation as soon as the walls are plumbed. IBEC employs vacuum mats to place the flat roof beams and barrel arch roof shells.

Welding the six connections of each roof arch completes the house shell frame. Workmen seal the valley between the shells with a mastic and set door frames and window units.

Building supply firms cooperating with IBEC Housing in the emergency project are Tim Manufacturing Co., General Equipment Co., Hato Rey Building Co., Caribe Lumber & Trading Co., Puerto Rico Millwork Corp, and Standard Steel and Wire Co.



6. Complete house shell is finished in an hour.

Rolling Scaffolds Form . . .

. . . Domed Roof for Coliseum

Two rail-mounted steel scaffolds, traveling on a circular track around the building perimeter, speeded construction of Jacksonville's Coliseum, which opened last week.

The $3-million structure is roofed with a concrete dome more than 300 ft in diameter and nearly 100 ft high. It will seat from 8,000 to 12,000 in two concourse levels. Seating capacity will depend on the event staged. Events will range from ice hockey and basketball to trade shows.

The roof framing consists of 32 arch ribs spaced at 11¼ deg arc segments around the circle and supported on inverted L-shaped concrete columns at the exterior wall. Framing between these ribs are circumferential concrete purlins spaced at 10 ft radially. Bulb tees, spaced at 33 in., span in a general radial direction, carrying compressed fiber board roofing plank chosen for its insulating and acoustical qualities as well as for its structural use.

Daniel Construction Co. of Florida, Inc., cast the ribs in pairs tied together by the intercepted purlins. Opposing pairs were cast simultaneously to form complete arches at each construction stage. Fill-in purlins between adjacent pairs of dome ribs were cast after all the ribs were in place.

A central trussed tower, fabricated of structural steel sections, supported the temporary falsework and the soffit form for a concrete compression ring. The steel scaffolds supported the formwork for the ribs. The trussed scaffold arm, which framed to the central tower, was hydraulically lowered after each use to permit stripping of forms. Then the scaffold was rolled to a new location, anchored to the tracks with screw jacks, and raised again into position.

A double wall encloses the building. The outside wall, at the peripheral columns, consists of perforated brick, which serves as insulation from the sun's heat. The interior wall, directly under the dome support points, is glass and concrete block.

Architects are George R. Fisher and A. Eugene Cellar; structural engineer, Gomer E. Kraus. All are from Jacksonville. Dixie Steel & Form Co. of San Antonio, Texas, designed and fabricated the rolling scaffold.

Contractors Win a Round In 'Set-Aside' Dispute

Contractor pressure has succeeded in punching at least one hole in the wall of rules that have been established governing the Small Business Administration's "set-aside" program.

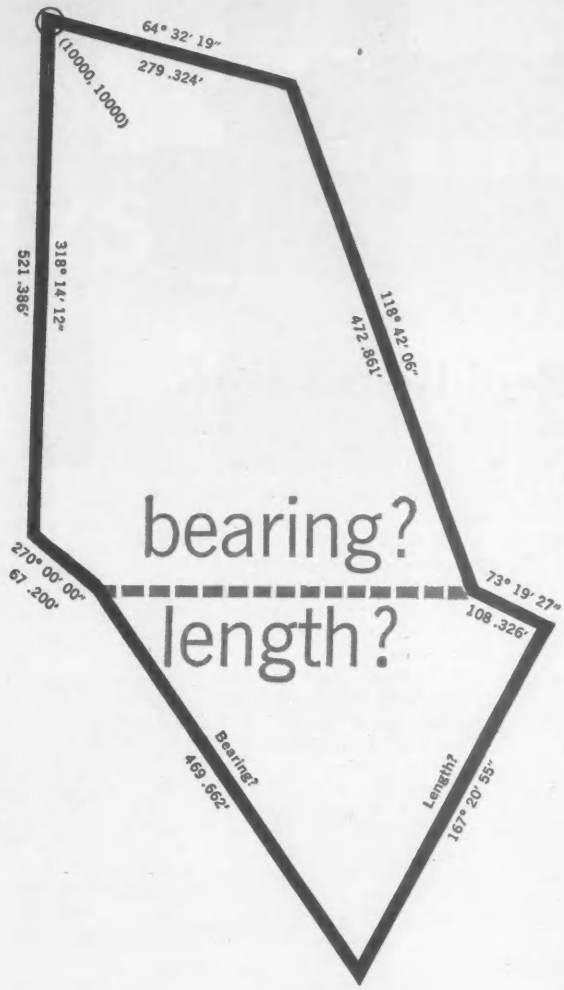
The Fort Worth, Tex., District Corps of Engineers stripped off the set-aside label placed on its Proctor Dam and Reservoir Project, which is up for bids January 10 (ENR Nov. 3, p. 77). This job involves an estimated $1 million worth of spillway, excavation and embankment work.

There are also some indications that the big project that started the furor—a $4.5-million hospital to be built at Sheppard Air Force Base—may also be removed from the set-aside list (ENR Dec. 1, p. 29).

The Associated General Contractors exerted some pressure when it was revealed that the two Texas projects had been thrown open to bidding to only contracting companies defined as small business under the SBA concept (annual average volume of $5 million or less).

Since the Texas incident, AGC has met with SBA Administrator Philip McCallum to push for two policy changes:

- Lift the dollar volume definition from its $5-million level.
- Consider the dollar volume of subcontracts going to small firms when considering the distribution expenditures for construction. Only prime-contract volume is considered now.



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Folded Plates Roof Round Bank

A combination of structural steel and precast concrete provides an economical roof framing system with only one interior column for a circular bank building in Dallas.

Tex-Crete Structural Products Co. of Dallas precast a folded-plate roof in 32 pie-shaped units. A five-man crew erected the concrete in six hours with one crane.

A structural steel framing system supporting the folded-plate roof has long-span joists spanning the 40-ft radius between 32 exterior wide-flange columns and a central interior column. At the interior column, the joists bear on a large circular cap plate, which is stiffened with radial brackets. The central column is a pipe section 12 in. in diameter.

The banking area will be enclosed with glass walls, 22 ft high.

Total building area is increased to 15,000 sq ft by an L-shaped portion, which can be extended by a second-floor addition.

W. H. Cothrum & Co. is the builder; I. V. Kipcak & Associates is structural engineer. Both are from Dallas. Owner is the First Citizens Bank.

Around the Country . . .

• **Port officers in dock**—The Department of Justice will prosecute three officials of the Port of New York Authority for contempt of Congress. They have refused to supply records to a House subcommittee investigating the authority. A conviction can bring a fine as high as $1,000 or up to one year in jail.

• **Bridge bids rejected**—The California Division of Highways has rejected low bids totaling about $14 million to build the substructure and superstructure of the proposed suspension bridge connecting San Pedro and Terminal Island across the main channel of Los Angeles Harbor (ENR Aug. 11, p. 30). Reason is inability to sell bonds to finance the project at this time. Bond terms are being revised and bids will be called again in a few months.

• **Port contract**—The first construction contract for a $15-million cargo passenger terminal to be built on the Port of Los Angeles' main channel has been awarded to the American Bridge Division of United States Steel Corp. at $1.57 million.

• **Home for the code**—The New York Division of Housing will ask the state legislature to establish a five-man building code council within the division. The division took over code administration when the independent State Building Code Commission was abolished a couple of years ago.

• **Columns drop**—Two 32-ft-high reinforced concrete columns—one several days old, the other just cast—toppled over at a church construction site in East Point, Ga., near Atlanta injuring four workmen. The four-day-old column carried the newer one with it. Workers were stripping the first and finishing the second when the accident occurred.

• **Japanese prefabs**—Japan's first prefabricated, earthquake-proof steel house is now being sold on the Japanese domestic market. Nihon Denken, Ltd., the designer and builder of the house, has a monthly production capacity of 200 units. The building is made of light steel panels. Cost ranges from $1,972 to $3,055 in Japan, excluding transportation charges.

$25-Million Space Labs Under Way Near L. A.

Construction is starting on the largest space research and engineering center in the country—a $25-million complex, for Space Technology Laboratories, Inc. It will be located at Redondo Beach near Los Angeles.

When completed, the center will employ over 5,000 persons including some 2,000 engineers and scientists.

First construction phase—to cover 70 of the site's 110 acres—will consist of 10 structures. These will include six two-story research-office buildings, a five-story engineering building, a library auditorium, a service building and an eight-story headquarters building for the corporation.

Though the buildings will be grouped in a campus layout around a central mall, each will be self-sufficient with its own utilities including air-conditioning and electrical services. The quickly changing nature of space research and development with its constant demands for new and varied lab and plant services eliminates any economy gained from a central utility building, according to the designers.

Since 1954, STL—a subsidiary of Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, Inc.—has provided engineering and technical direction for the U. S. Air Force ballistic missile program. It also designed, built and traced in flight the Pioneer I, Explorer VI and Pioneer V satellites. Now, STL engineers are completing a NASA study aimed at producing a "soft" landing on the moon for space vehicles.

The Redondo Beach labs have been designed by Albert C. Martin & Associates, Los Angeles. Construction contract for the center has gone to Twaits-Wittenberg Co., Los Angeles.

Engineering Teachers' Pay Up 14.7% in Two Years

The average total income of engineering teachers has increased by 14.7% in the past two years, according to Engineers Joint Council.

Average salary for engineering teachers in American colleges is now $8,534. This is supplemented by an average of $2,479 from outside professional income. The median teaching salary for instructors is $5,380, for full professors, $10,500.

Since the first EJC survey in 1956 teaching salaries have jumped 31.1% and incomes from outside sources have risen 11.3%.

The survey, entitled "Salaries and Incomes of Engineering Teachers—1960," was made possible by a National Science Foundation grant, and covered more than one-half the total number of engineering teachers.

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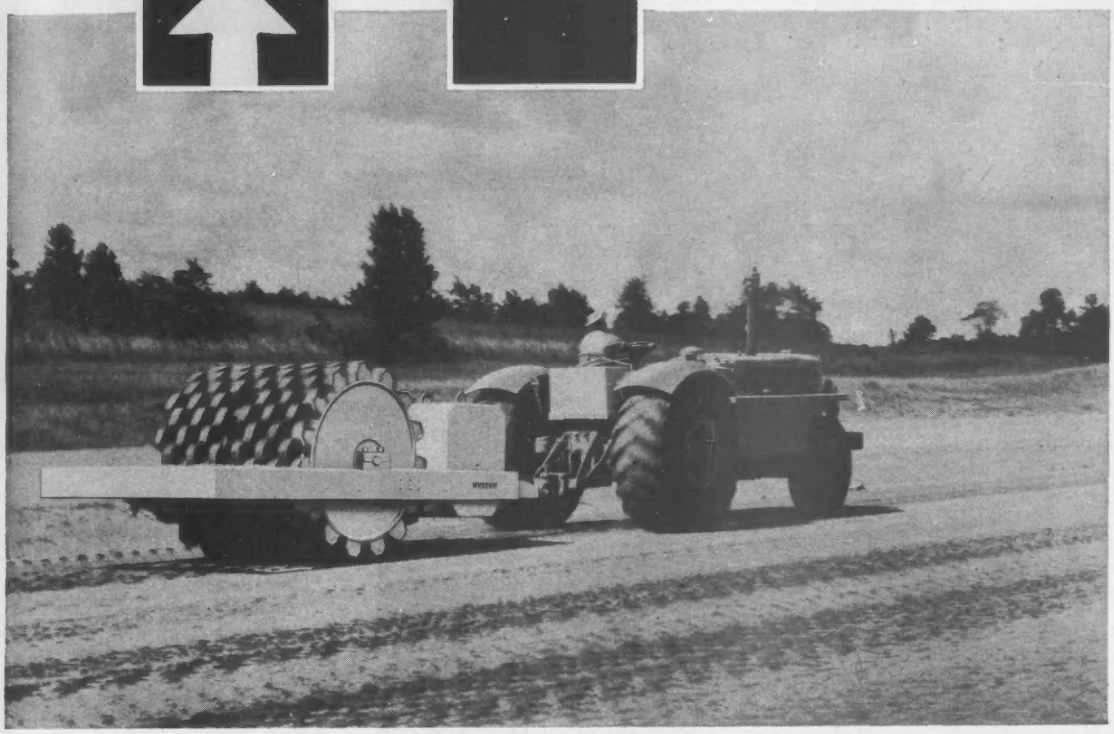

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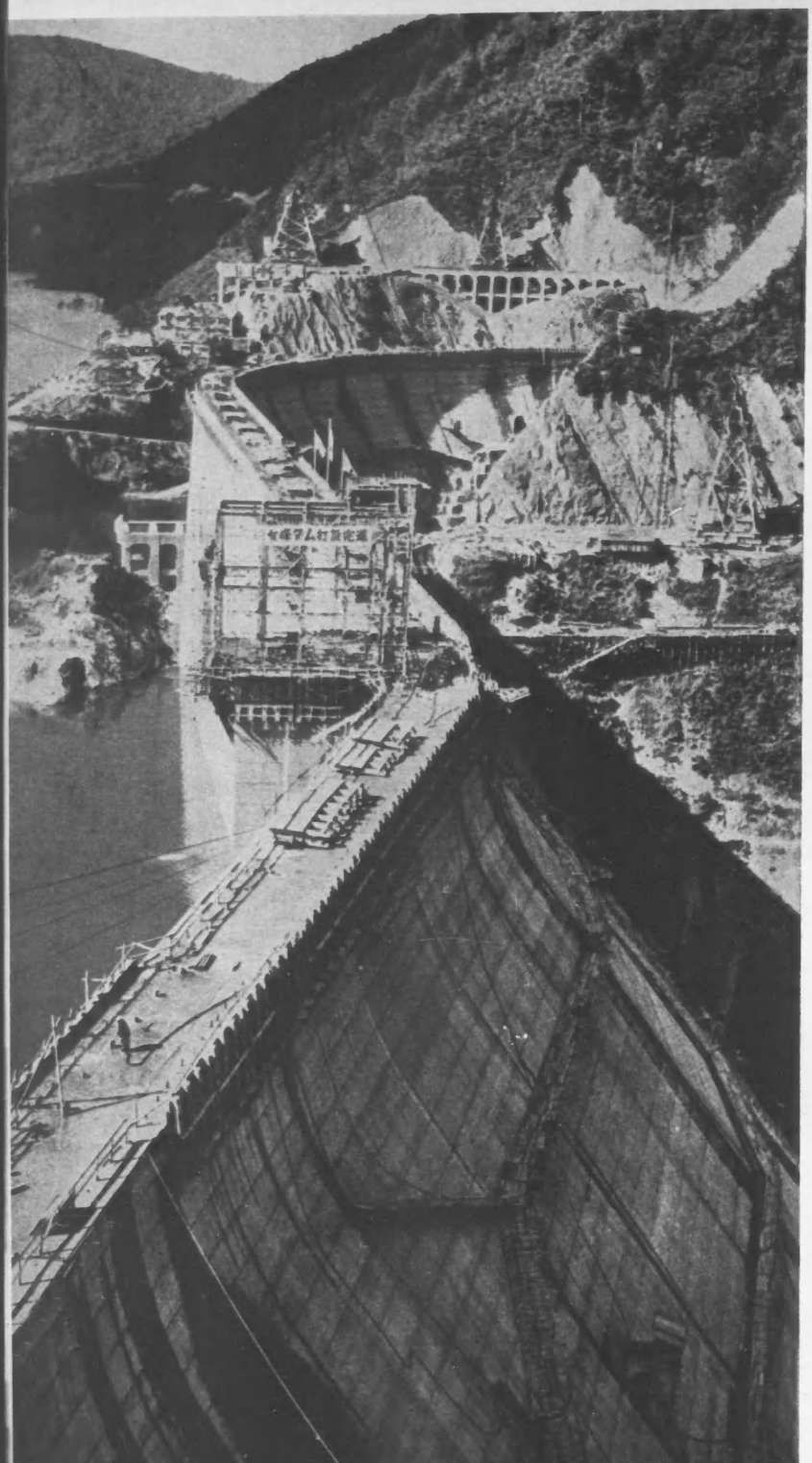

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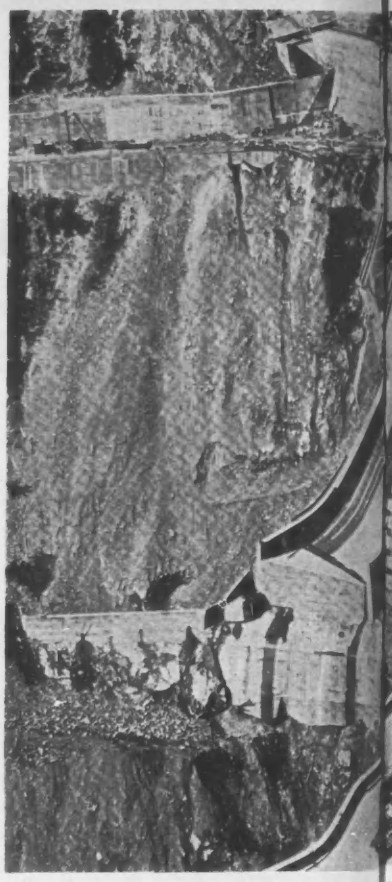

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Japanese Da

By Waldo G. Bowman, Editor

Japan has just played host to the annual executive meeting of the International Committee on Large Dams, attended by 75 delegates from 22 countries. And there could have been no better time to display the products of her dambuilders.

Last year alone Japan completed 91 dams over 50 ft high. A dozen of them were in the 200-ft class and four exceeded 300 ft. And she presently has 99 others under construction, including one that will be 612 ft high and another to exceed 500 ft.

• **Technique matches output**—Such a prolific output of dams probably surpasses that of any nation in the world today. The number would certainly

***Mr. Bowman's** on-the-spot account shows that Japan's dambuilders are matching the busy pace he reported (ENR Nov. 24, p. 40) for Japanese construction in general.*

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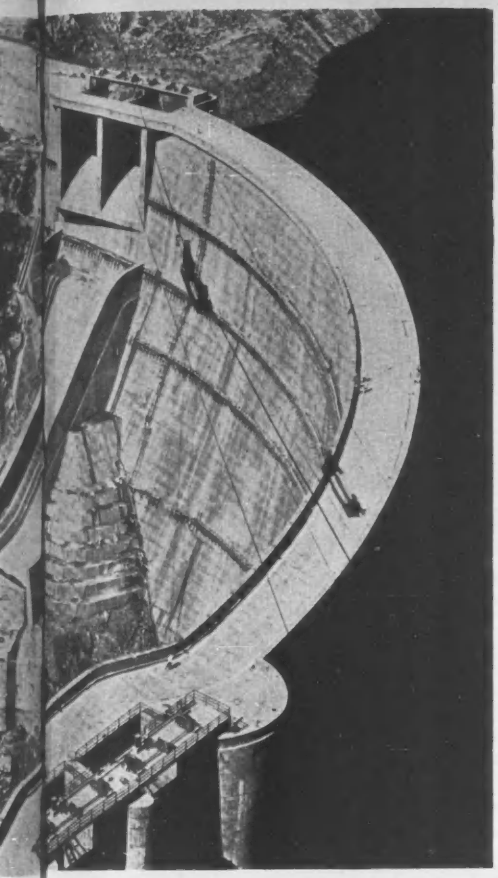

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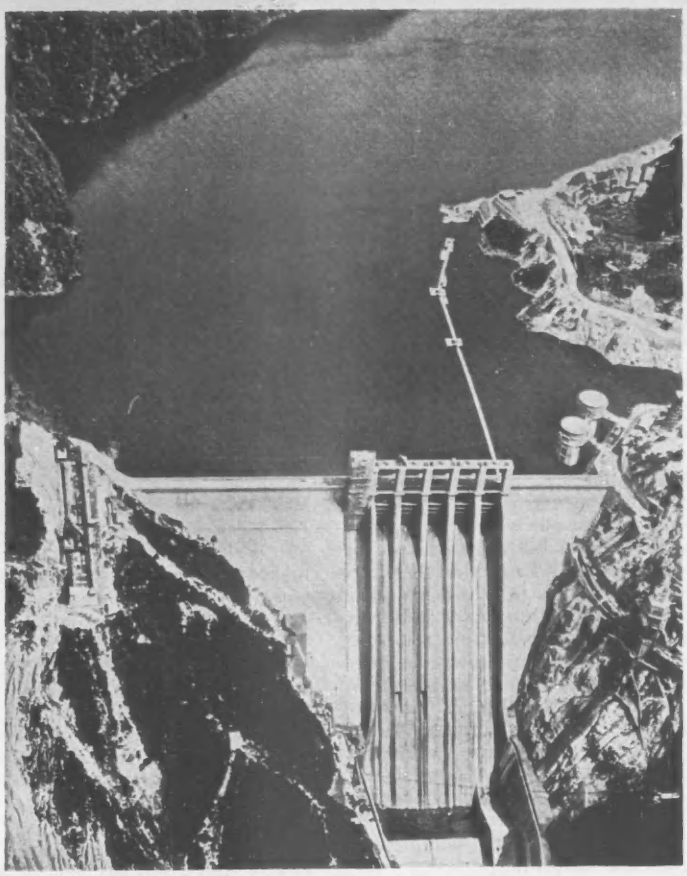


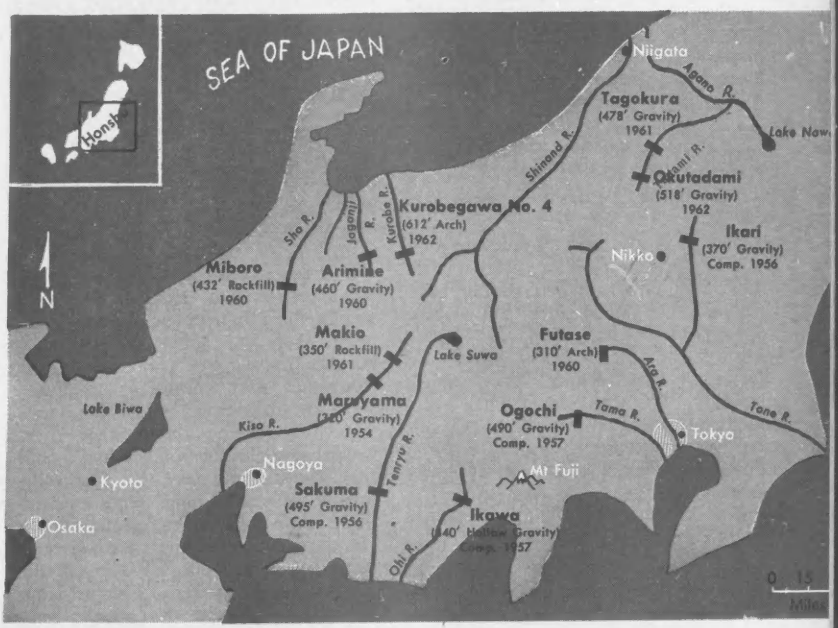
Sakuma Dam proved the value of mechanization.

Dambuilding Is a Flourishing Art

support a claim for more dams per acre and perhaps more per capita than any other country. But a more significant fact about Japanese dambuilding is that its steady 10-year rise to this crescendo has been accompanied by a corresponding rise in design knowledge and construction technique.

Pre-war Japanese dams—and there were a great many of them—were of types and sizes that neither attracted much notice nor presented much difficulty in design or construction. Since 1950, however, the size of dams attempted by the Japanese has steadily increased, and a variety of types has been introduced. All this bespeaks confidence born of design and construction knowledge of greatly increased scope. And it has been gained in a very short time.

• **Power is the big lure**—Why are so many dams being built in Japan? The simple, although not the sole, answer is for power. Industrial Japan has



Honshu dams were toured by visiting large-dam group.

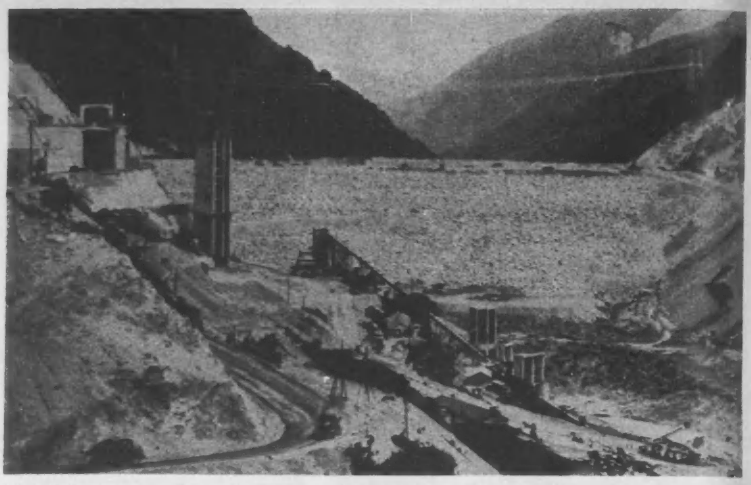
gorged itself on kilowatt-hours, but hungers for more. It used 74 billion kwh in 1959, double what it used eight years before. To produce this took a generating capacity of 18.5 million kilowatts, also twice that of eight years ago. Of this capacity, 10.5 million kw was hydro and 8 million steam, representing an eight-year growth of 75% and 170% respectively.

The fact that steam generating capacity has increased more than twice as fast as hydro, despite the high tempo of power-dam construction, emphasizes how eager for electric power Japan has become. It also reflects the fact that steam generating capacity can be added faster and more cheaply than hydro, which suggests that dambuilding in Japan may have reached its peak. It does not mean that dam building will stop, however, for even very expensive hydro power is often economical for the peak loads of a system.

Besides, dams have other uses, such as water supply, irrigation and flood control. And Japan needs all three. Actually, of the 91 dams completed last year, 33 were exclusively for irrigation and flood control; and of the 99 still under construction, 50 are being built for these same purposes. It may also be noted that the majority, if not all, of Japan's big new dams are multi-purpose structures, and that a number of suitable sites are still left for developments of that kind, offering acceptable benefit-to-cost ratios.

Another reason why Japan builds so many dams is that its topography and climate are ideal for the purpose, particularly for power dams. All of the islands are mountainous, and Honshu, the main island and scene of most of the large dams, has a backbone of mountain ranges with peaks soaring to 10,000 ft. The rivers that drop out of these mountains are short and steep. They are fed by typhoon rains from the Pacific and melting snow originating in the moist cold air from Siberia. In some areas the annual precipitation totals as much as 150 in. The average for the entire country is a respectable 60 in.

There are also other conditions that affect dambuilding—for good or ill. The mountains are geologically complicated, containing folds and faults. The rivers, being steep, are highly erosive and bring down gravel and boulders that reduce the storage capacity of reservoirs. They also fluctuate widely from devastating floods on the one hand to greatly reduced flows on the other, as a result of winter freezing and summer droughts. But water is available in ample quantity every year to be stored, and high head is available for power. The building of dams was inevitable, first the run-of-river type and now, with modern techniques and knowledge, the bigger ones higher up in the mountains that store water for multiple purposes.



MIBORO is Japan's first rockfill dam and one of the world's notable examples of the type. Height, 432 ft. Volume, 10.6 million cu yd.

• **Who builds the dams?** In Japan, as in other countries, the responsibility for building dams is divided. The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry handles irrigation dams. The Ministry of Construction handles dams whose primary purpose is flood control. The prefectural governments build many modest-size dams for irrigation, flood control and even for power. But it is in the national government's Electric Power Development Company and the nine big private power companies that multi-purpose power-dam design and construction reaches its prime. It is from these organizations that Japan's larger and more important dams emerge.

Japan's power industry was for many years in the hands of a national government monopoly known as the Nippon Electric Generation and Transmission Co. At the end of World War II, however, this big combine was dissolved and re-organized as nine privately owned utilities, each with a designated area of operations. There is a power company for each of the islands of Hokkaido, Kyushu and Shikoku, while the main island of Honshu is divided among the other six, in north-to-south order, Tohoku, Tokyo, Chubu, Hokruriku, Kansai and Chugoku. These companies were empowered to build and operate electric generating facilities, but on the theory that there would be a number of big hydro jobs that they would not be financially capable of undertaking, a government-owned firm named the Electric Power Development Company was formed. As it has turned out, EPDC is building the majority of Japan's bigger dams, although several of the private companies have projects that rival anything EPDC is doing.

It is not possible to review all of Japan's major dams, or even all of those shown to the delegates of the International Commission on Large Dams on a 10-day inspection trip throughout the central part of Honshu, where most of the big dams are located. But the significant facts about the most important ones will serve to emphasize the character of present day dam development in Japan.

• **Construction is mechanized** – It should be noted that Japan follows U. S. practice in awarding construction contracts to private contractors on competitive bids. Design is by the owner's engineering departments, aided when required by private consulting engineers —sometimes Japanese, often foreign. No U. S. foreign aid is involved in the financing of Japan's power facilities, but large World Bank loans have played a significant role.

Mechanized construction puts present dambuilding in Japan in a different class from prewar operations. This is true despite the fact that with old methods a Japanese contractor, Hazama-Gumi, Ltd. was able to build in the late '30s such a remarkable structure as the Sue-fung Dam on the Yalu River on the northern border of Korea. This dam is 350 ft high and contains 4.6 million cu yd of masonry. But it was built with hordes of workers and a minimum of equipment.

Successful mechanization of dam construction in Japan may be considered to have started with EPDC's Sakuma Dam on the Tenryu River. Hazama-Gumi completed it in 1956 after a construction period of unheard-of brevity in Japan—3½ years. Sakuma is of major size—a straight gravity, overflow-type structure 495 ft high and contain-

MARUYAMA, built during the transition from old to new methods, helped set Japanese dambuilders firmly on the path to mechanized construction.

ing 1.44 million cu yd of concrete. It also includes a 350,000-kw power plant.

For the Sakuma work, EPDC purchased several million dollars worth of U. S. construction equipment and rented it to the contractor. The firm has followed this practice since. Cableways, concrete buckets, shovels, tractors and trucks, and modern tunneling equipment was included. Today most of this equipment is of Japanese manufacture, for as a recent EPDC report states: "the introduction of mechanized equipment stimulated domestic manufacturers so that production of heavy construction equipment has grown almost five times in the past five years."

Two other large dams antedated Sakuma by a year or two, and although their construction was not as fully mechanized, they helped to establish the pattern. The first, Maruyama Dam, is a 320-ft-high concrete gravity structure on the Kiso River, built by the Kansai Electric Power Co. The second dam, Kamishiiba, built on Kyushu Island by the Kyushu Electric Power Co, was the first high arch dam in Japan. It is 361 ft high and contains 520,000 cu yd of concrete, which is about half the amount a comparable gravity dam would have required.

For certain hard-to-reach damsites, this kind of saving had intrigued the Japanese previously, but their fear of earthquakes and lack of design knowledge had prevented adoption of the arch type dam. Kamishiiba, designed with the help of Overseas Consultants, Inc., of New York City, a former consortium of several U. S. firms, gave Japan confidence in the arch-type dam. The confidence was increased in 1955 by successful performance of the dam's two ski jump spillways after a typhoon.

• **Biggest job of all**—There can be little doubt that the experience with Kamishiiba influenced the adoption of an arch design for what is the biggest, most difficult dam job now under way in Japan. Known as Kurobegawa No. 4, the dam will be 612 ft high, well up among the world's highest arches. The project is further notable as having what is probably the world's largest underground power plant in terms of excavated area. Counting only the power plant room, the excavation at Kemano in British Columbia is larger than at Kurobegawa, but Kurobegawa's switchyard and substation are also completely underground and a part of the same excavation, probably giving the Japanese installation first rank.

The powerhouse covers 25,300 sq ft, the substation 32,400 and the switchyard 36,800, or a total of 94,500 sq ft, well over two acres. And this does not take into account the access tunnels to these man-made caverns. All of this underground installation was necessary because of the 20 ft of snow that blankets the area in winter and because the steep sides of narrow Kurobe Gorge offered no suitable surface sites.

Kurobegawa No. 4 is a project of the Kansai Electric Power Co. The dam was designed by Electroconsult of Italy, and it is being constructed by Hazama-Gumi. It is located high up in the Japanese Alps on the Kurobe River, which flows north into the Japan Sea on a 1 to 40 average gradient, the steepest of any of the country's rivers. Favored with much water from melting snow, the river is completely developed with hydro plants. However, their total 240,000-kw capacity is reduced more than half during low stream flow periods.

The construction of Kurobegawa No. 4, with its large storage upstream, will remedy this situation and, in addition, will add its own 258,000 kw to the total capacity.

• **Access a major problem**—The desirability of a dam at the No. 4 site has long been recognized, but its extreme difficulty of access (nearly 5,000 ft elevation in rugged wild country visited only rarely, even by intrepid mountain climbers) and its high cost, were too much to overcome. Finally through an $80-million loan from the World Bank (which covers some other projects too) the company was able to undertake the construction. The total cost is estimated at $132 million.

Quite a few millions of dollars went into access roads before any construction could start. The nearest railhead is at Omachi, 12 miles away. A modern heavy-duty highway was built from there to the dam. The last five miles of the route is a tunnel big enough for a 22-ft roadway. A fault about 250 ft wide took the tunnelers six months to pass and pushed the cost of the five-mile tunnel up to $11 million.

Since there was no economical way of securing aggregates at the damsite, the necessary facilities were established at Omachi, on the bank of a river whose dry, boulder-filled bed provided a good and ample supply. The crushing and screening plant, modern in every respect, has a capacity of 700 tons of aggregate per hour, which it turns out in one fine and four coarse sizes. All of this aggregate is trucked seven miles to stockpiles at the mouth of the tunnel. From there it is carried the remaining five miles on a belt conveyor occupying one lane of the tunnel roadway.

The 1.8 million cu yd of concrete required by the dam is being mixed in two plants set side by side high up on the right abutment downstream from the dam. One plant contains four 4-cu-yd mixers, the other, four 2-cu-yd mixers. Concrete is discharged into two-compartment transfer cars with a total capacity of 12 cu yd. These move it a short distance upstream to the loading platform for the cableway buckets. Four cableways of 1,975 ft span are used, two of 25-ton capacity, one of 10 tons and one of nine tons.

With this plant, 11,537 cu yd of concrete was recently placed in one day—a record for Japan and a big pour by any standard. It is nearly 70% higher than the record daily pour on Sakuma Dam, which was considered phenomenal in Japan when made.

• **How high?**—Kurobegawa Dam is now up to nearly two-thirds of its eventual height, and operations will soon be shut down for the winter. This does not mean that the engineers will be

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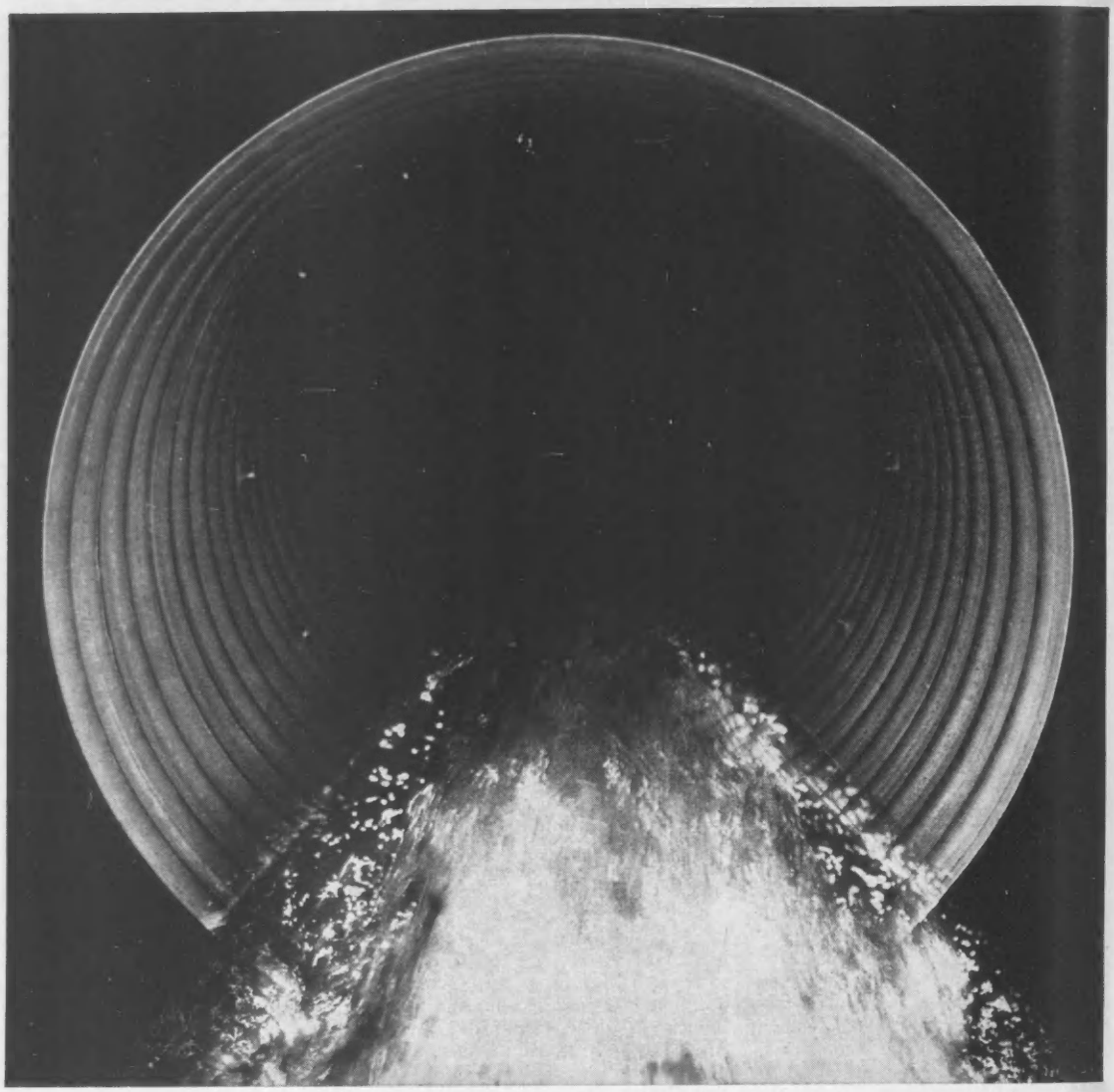

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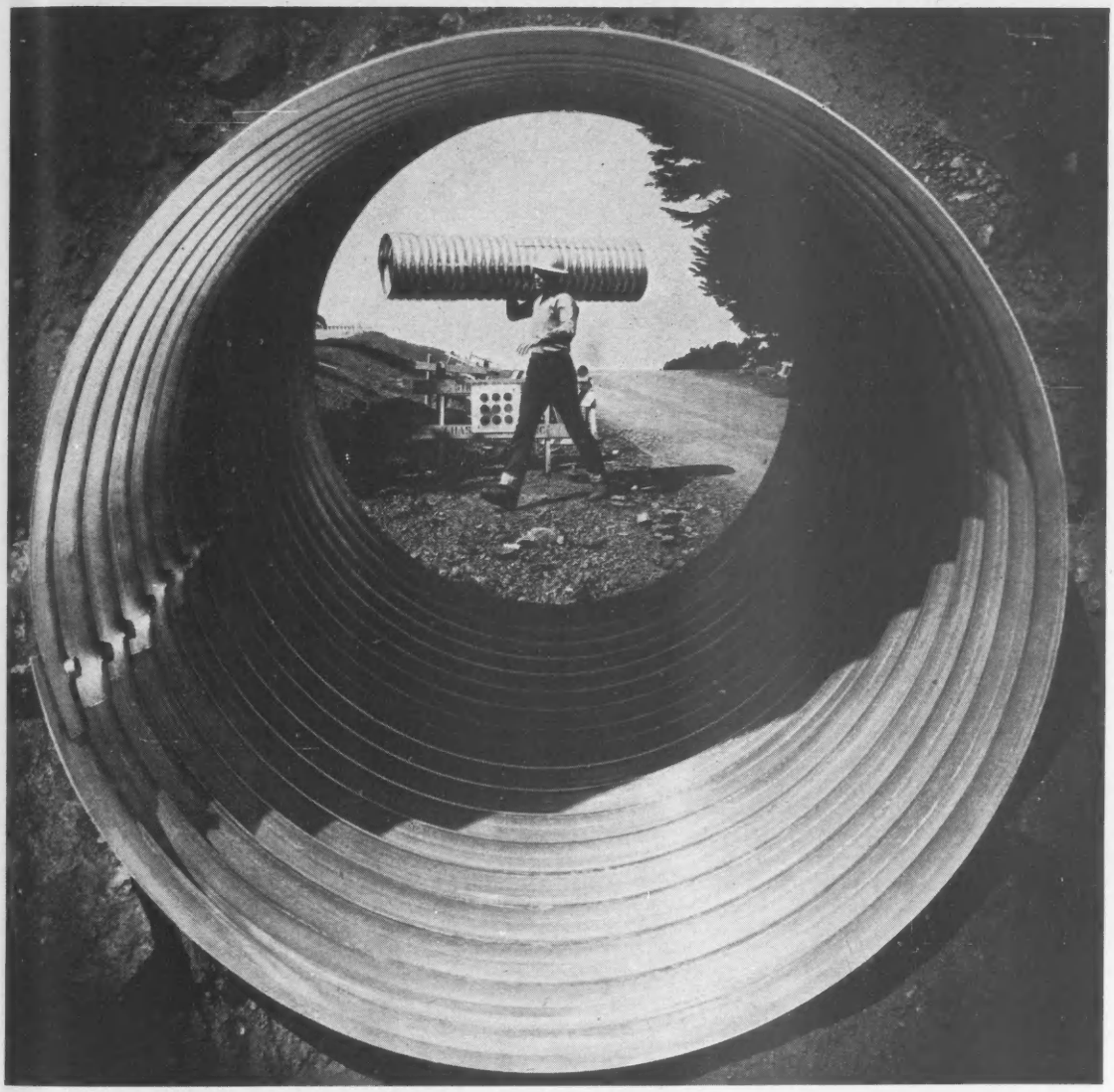

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idle, however, for they are faced with a critical decision on how or whether the dam can be carried to its planned height in view of recently discovered deficiencies in the foundation rock high up on the abutments. An international consulting board, appointed by the World Bank to check the designs of a number of arch dams around the world on which the Bank has made loans, called attention to the poor rock and recommended either that the dam not be carried to full height or that modifications be made in the design to relieve the poor rock of most of the arch thrust.

The board also offered several modifications that could be made in the design of the upper part of the dam to produce a satisfactory full-height structure, but recommended that a decision be deferred until some large-scale tests of the rock in its natural state in the abutments are made and also until some further model tests are made. These will be carried out this winter.

Should the results of the studies indicate that the dam cannot be built to full height without modification, Kurobegawa Dam No. 4 may be a much more famous structure in the field of arch dams than it is even now. Any one of the modifications suggested by the consulting board would contribute quite special aspects to the upper portion of the structure.

It is understood that they include such things as: Accentuating the "plunging arch" or dome effect to reduce the thrust against the upper abutment; removing large quantities of the poor rock and replacing it with concrete if exploration should disclose good rock far back in the abutment; extending the arches as thrust blocks down to where sound rock exists; or even making use of prestressed cables carried to an anchorage in tunnels behind the abutments. It is clear that every effort will be made to find a safe way to carry the dam to its full height, because the extra storage and hydraulic head at stake are very valuable.

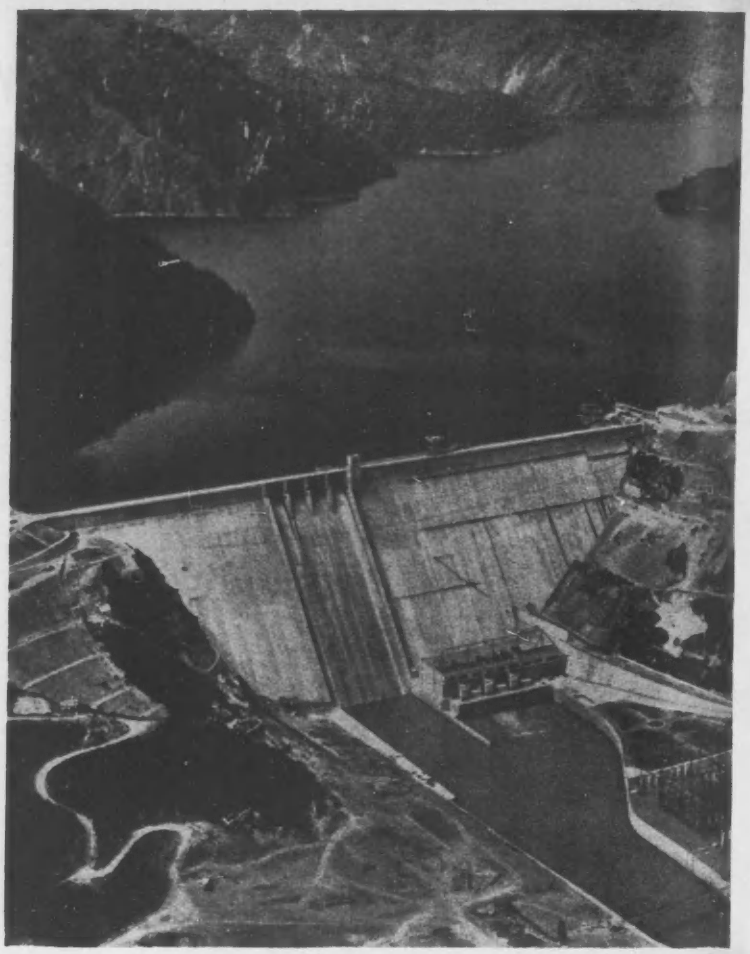
• Similar problems elsewhere—Other Japanese dams have also presented designers with foundation and access problems similar to those at Kurobegawa. One interesting solution, at Arimine, a gravity type dam on the Joganji River, was a bend in dam alignment to locate both abutments on good rock. The dam was begun in the late '30s, but work was abandoned during the war and for sometime thereafter. Original plans called for a height of 330 ft, but when Hokuriku Electric Power Co. took over the project and resumed construction in 1957, engineers redesigned the dam and raised the projected height to 430 ft.

They found, however, that if the dam were continued on the same alignment as the part that was already in place, it would run into faulted and weathered rock high up on the left abutment. They changed the alignment at about the quarter point of the length of the dam. The left end of the dam was also curved so that it could be better tied into the abutment rock.

As built, Arimine is 460 ft high and 1,650 ft long. It contains 2.1 million cu yd of concrete and backs up a reservoir of 170,000 acre-ft, which is used to regulate the river flow to the company's 11 downstream hydroplants. Maeda Construction Co. was the contractor.

Access was one of the main problems at two of EPDC's three big dams under construction now. These are the Tagokura and Okutadami dams on the Tadami River, a tributary of the Agano, which is one of the country's largest streams. Both are concrete gravity-type dams.

Tagokura, also being built by Maeda Construction Co., is 478 ft high, contains 2.6 million cu yd of concrete and includes a 380,000-kw power plant. Okutadami, 18 miles upstream, is 518 ft high, has a volume of 2.1 million cu yd and serves a 360,000 kw underground power plant some 430 ft lower than the base of the dam.



TAGOKURA had to wait on a $7-million access job—a 20-mile railroad, 70 bridges, one of them 1,300 ft long, and six tunnels, including one a mile long.

Okutadami reservoir will be Japan's largest, with an effective capacity of 368,000 acre ft. Kajima Construction Co. is building the dam and Taisei Construction Co., the underground powerhouse.

Both damsites were hard to reach. Before Tagokura could be started, a 20-mile heavy-duty railroad had to be constructed up the valley to the site. It required 70 bridges, including one 1,300 ft long, and six tunnels, one a mile long. The cost was nearly $7 million. At Okutadami it was necessary to construct a 20-mile access road through and across the mountains. One-half the length of this road had to be in tunnel.

The access facilities for these two dams have each had to carry more than

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On both of these dams the size and scope of the construction equipment and plant are on the same order as at Kurobegawa No. 4. A concrete placement rate of over 8,000 cu yd a day has been continuously maintained. Here, too, the jobs must shut down in the winter because of deep snows. Fly ash is used in the concrete to cut down on the quantity of cement, and vinsol resin in used as an air-entraining agent. Aggregate is crushed from natural streambed deposits at Tagokura, but since similar deposits are not available at Okutadami all of its aggregate is produced in a granite quarry about two miles from the damsite.

The third big dam under construction by EPDC is Japan's first rockfill, Miboro. Two factors influenced the decision to use rockfill: First, excellent granite and quartz porphyry is available at the site; second, a major fault in the right bank foundation made a concrete gravity design inadvisable.

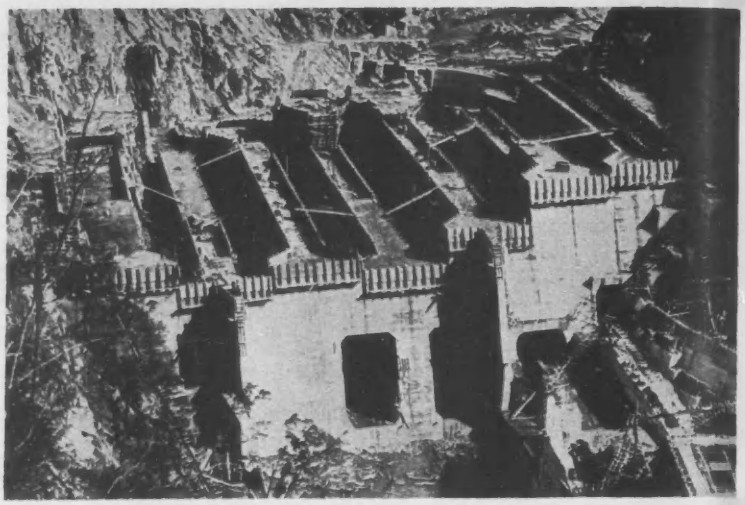
Miboro's 432-ft height and 10.6-million-cu yd volume rank it among the world's foremost rockfill dams in both respects. Makio Dam, a second Japanese rockfill, is now under construction, but its size does not compare with Miboro's.

Miboro is of the sloping impervious core type. Since the available clay for the core was too high in water content as excavated, it was stockpiled and mixed with decomposed granite, which fortunately was found on the upper banks of the clay pit. The length of the haul from the clay pit to the dam was less than two miles, while the rock quarry was even closer.

Miboro, as well supplied with modern construction equipment as any U. S. rockfill operation, went forward smoothly after the fault in the right abutment had been grouted. This required first drilling a 200-ft.-deep shaft from which horizontal tunnels at three different levels were extended. From these tunnels over 50,000 ft of holes were drilled and the 100-ft-wide fault was injected with 1,100 tons of cement grout.

The underground power house, which will have a capacity of 215,000 kw, is also approaching completion, so that the $110-million project can go into service next year firming up power in the existing plants downstream on the Sho River.

• **Hollow dams**—One power company, Chubu, introduced the hollow gravity type concrete dam in Japan a few years ago, found it successful and is now building two more. Resembling a buttress dam with inclined faces both upstream and downstream, such dams have been used in Europe but have never found popularity in the U. S. The weight of water and accumulated silt on the upstream face contributes to their stability; and their reduced base area, compared to that of a solid gravity dam, reduces uplift. The reduced amount of concrete required is, of course, their main appeal.



IKAWA, completed after photo was made, successfully introduced hollow-buttress type to Japan. It is now being followed up with others.

These dams are on the upper reaches of the Ohi River. Ikawa, the completed one, is 340 ft high and contains 563,000 cu yd of concrete. Upstream from Ikawa, Hatanagi No. 1 and Hatanagi No. 2 are under construction. These two are principal parts of a pumped-storage power project. Hatanagi No. 1, the principal dam, will be 402 ft high and will contain 744,000 cu yd of concrete. The powerhouse will be under its spillway. Hatanagi No. 2 will be a much smaller structure downstream to create a small impoundment from which water can be pumped back into Hatanagi No. 1 reservoir by off-peak steam power at night.

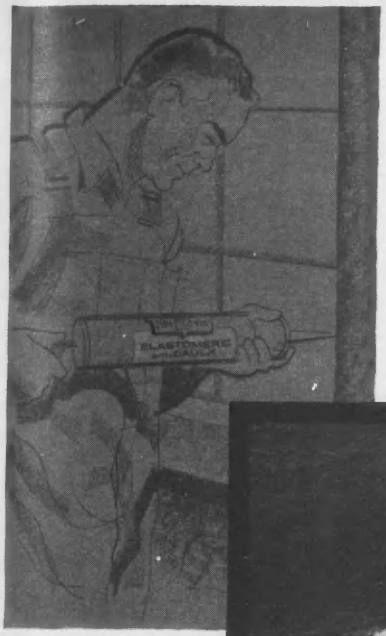
Hatanagi's 10-mile access road typifies a fringe benefit that most of Japan's new dam jobs are contributing to the national economy. The hydro plant roads are about the only good ones in Japan's secondary highway system.

• **The future**—To witness Japanese dambuilding today is to realize that the country is capable of attaining equal rank in that field with any of the long-established dambuilding nations, and that in a number of respects she has already reached this level. Contractors have mastered the art of mechanized construction to an amazing degree, both in planning jobs and in training workmen to operate and maintain equipment. Equipment of Japanese manufacture duplicates the best to be found anywhere. Japanese engineers have high capability, but have no false pride in securing outside advice when they realize they need it. They are intrigued with anything that has proved successful elsewhere and will utilize more types of dams in the future than they have in the past.

Japanese dambuilding for hydro power may have reached its peak – available sites are becoming too expensive for power development alone– but multi-purpose projects will keep dam construction at a reasonably high tempo. Both flood control and more irrigation water are badly needed, and dams to store the excess water from typhoon rains and the country's high snow melt can further these objectives.

Japanese industrial production and a large hard-working well-fed population will assure the country better than average prosperity, so that the cost of reasonable water resource development programs can be met. Japan is used to high interest rates so that borrowing money at world rates in foreign financial markets is never likely to be a deterrent. The country's credit and that of its electrical utilities with the World Bank is also good.

Finally, a significant point with respect to Japan's success in dambuilding is that her contractors and engineers are beginning to eye the possibilities for exporting their know-how. Japanese engineers have formed combines to solicit foreign assignments and have made a marked impression, particularly in Southeast Asia and Latin America. Contractors have been pressuring the government to help them get foreign work, citing the success of the West Germans as an example. In any event, Japanese technologists are already at work on projects in such countries as Laos, Burma, the Philippines, Java, Sumatra and Brazil. They are certain to try to extend these operations further.



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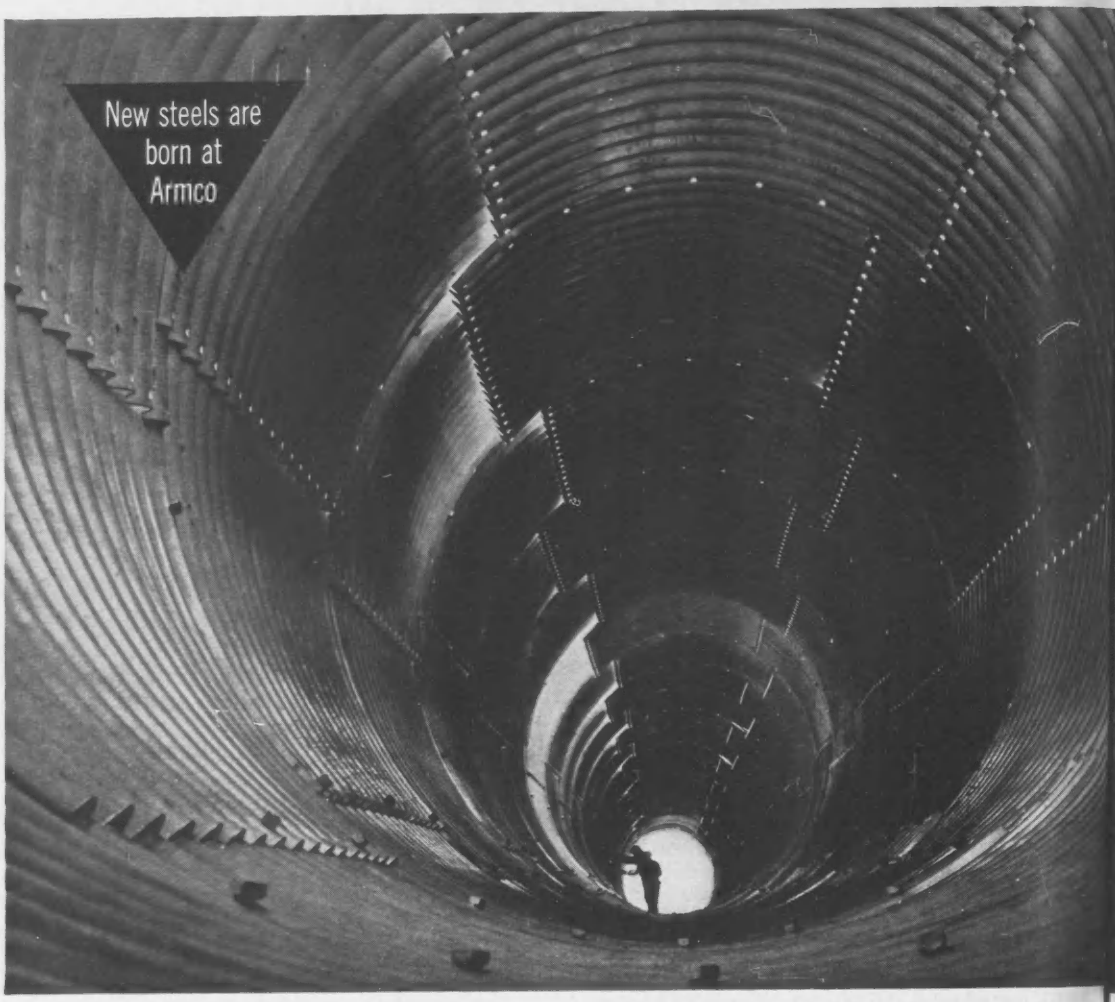

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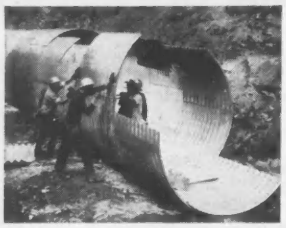

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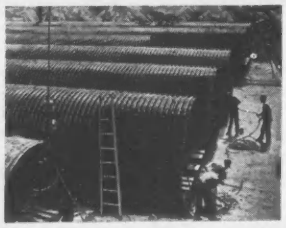

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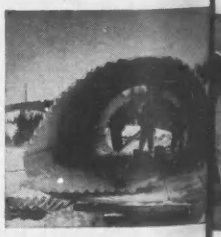

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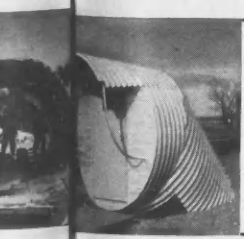

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Concrete cylinders are being kept for future study when additional floors are to be added to the building. Tests have shown that the six-month strength of the concrete is in the 9,000 to 10,000-psi range.

Spread footings that hold the high-strength columns had to be 5,000-psi concrete to do their job. Actually, concrete designed for the columns was used in some of the footings to test mixing and placing procedures for the higher strength mix.

Floors carried on the columns are flat-slab construction, column caps and drop panels. Including the floor-to-floor height saving realized through use of flat-slabs, the designers figure the building roughly a million dollars cheaper than it might have been with a different floor system.

Floor slabs are 8½ in. thick for the 150-psf loading and 9½ in. thick for the 250-psf loading. Slab design called for 3,000-psi concrete.

Some resistance to seismic and other lateral forces is provided in the column-and-slab system, but most lateral-force resistance is in shear walls around the elevator and stair wells and in a solid wall along the back of the building.

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The one-foot space between the slab and the plywood flooring is also used in this bank building as a return air plenum. Air to cool the electronic machines is drawn down through them, passes into the underfloor system and to a wall duct system.

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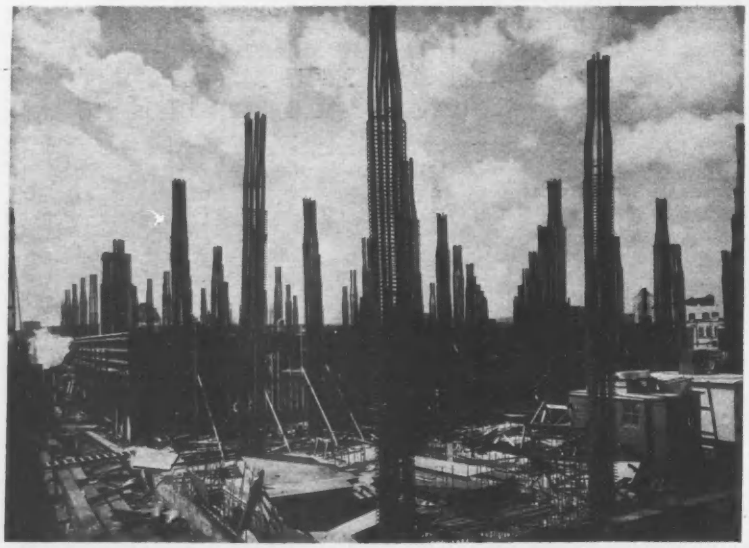
• **Prestressed curtain walls**—Vertical ribbons of windows alternate with concrete curtain-wall panels on three sides of the building. The curtain-wall installation is solid along the back wall and next to the stair wells. Even so, it has proven to be a relatively inexpensive exterior treatment.

Typical panels are 4-in. thick and about 10 x 13 ft in area.

They are prestressed in two directions with ⅜-in. steel strands of 210,000-psi ultimate strength. Prestress is limited to 120,000 psi. Horizontal cables are



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8 in. c-c. Panel concrete is 4,000 psi.

Purpose of the two-way prestressing was partly to prevent cracking the panels during erection. Prestressing is also expected to maintain the panels crack-free, and thus leakproof, through the life of the building.

The panels along the back wall are increased in thickness to 6 in. because this is a firewall.

On the sixth floor, which houses mechanical equipment, 18-ft-high panels are used all around. In these, the vertical prestressing is spaced 5 in. c-c for the 4-in.-thick panels and 9 in. c-c for the 6-in.-thick panels.

Wall panels are connected at their bases to steel angles bolted to the floor slabs. A ½-in.-dia bolt, cast in the panel, fits in a 1-in.-dia hole in the angle. The detail at the top is a ½-in.-thick bent plate that fits over a plate bolted to the building spandrels. The panels are detailed to close tolerances.

The panels are sealed in the horizontal direction by aluminum flashing, which fits over a short "eyebrow" that includes the floor slab and the top part of the panel. Vertical seal is made by a polysulfide plastic compound injected into the gap, which is usually about ⅛ in. Panels are insulated, furred and plastered on the inside (thus the inside finish of the panels was not vital).

Four lifting inserts were cast in each panel for lifting it from its casting form. A pair of eyes cast into the top of each was used for hoisting.

The contractor originally planned on hoisting by truck crane at ground level, but he could not get his truck crane to the back wall of the building. He mounted a winch on the roof, and it worked so well that he used it to install almost all the panels.

The building includes a moving-stair installation from ground level to the eighth floor, unusual in office-building construction. The moving stairs should handle the substantial floor-to-floor foot traffic efficiently. The pair of moving stairs is completely reversible for handling peak morning and evening traffic.

There is also an elevator installation that will be expanded when additional floors are added to the structure.

The building is designed for a roof heliport. This presented no structural problem, due to the design loading of 150-psi on the slab. The roof is not expected to be used for helicopter operations in the near future: Demand for such service has not yet developed in San Francisco; best operating practice requires a near-by emergency ground landing position, which is not available.

The building was completed for the Bank of America under the supervision of Continental Service Co. Wurster, Bernardi & Emmons was architect, Byron L. Nishkian did the structural design, and Gayner Engineers the electrical and mechanical design. Swinerton & Walberg Co. was general contractor. All are San Francisco firms.

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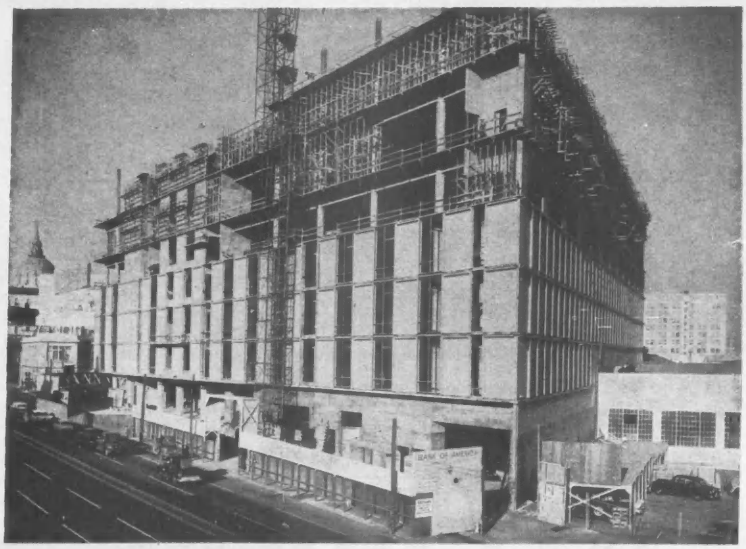

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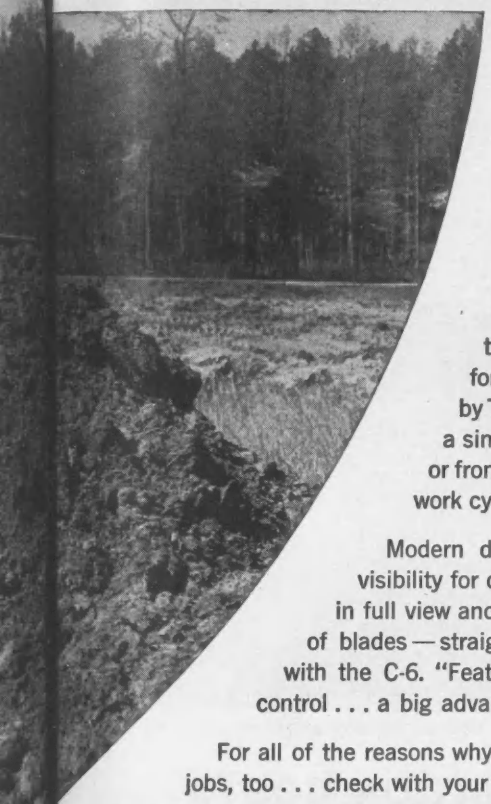

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Piers for twin bridges march across the Platte River in double file as . . .

Job-Built Rig Places Big Beams

An ingenious contractor-built gantry is the key machine in installation of prestressed concrete beams for twin bridges under construction across the Platte River near Ashland, Neb. (ENR Sept. 29, p. 34).

Beams are shipped by rail about 35 miles from the producer's casting yard to the bridge site. At the site, the contractor (Massman Construction Co. of Kansas City) built a spur railroad on a dike that parallels the double line of piers on the upstream side.

The beams are carried on flatcars alongside the piers on which they are to rest. Each car carries two beams. Six beams span each pair of piers, or 12 per span for the double structure.

Structural heart of the gantry is the 3-ft-square mast section of a stiff-leg derrick. The rig is 112 ft 4¾ in. long from rail to rail, sufficient to span a pair of piers.

An operating platform and the hoisting unit are at one end of the rig. The machine has a torque converter hoist with a double drum working off a single shaft; lead line pull is 20,000 lb. Two niggerhead drums are used to move the crane back and forth. The gantry is rigged with falls at either end, set 105 ft between blocks; there are seven parts of line to each block. The line to the tackle closest to the hoist passes through a gate block at the gantry's midpoint and then back, to maintain distance and an even hoisting rate on the two lifting assemblies.

Because the rails on which the gantry rides are set at different levels, the ends are of unequal height. The 7-ft-high control end rides on a railroad rail set on top of the concrete beams of the preceding span. Rail for the other end is mounted on the pier; height of the gantry there is 12 ft 6 in.

Each of the rails spans a distance of about 163 ft from the outside of the downstream pier to the rail tracks on the dike.

The two segments of rail that traverse the piers are welded to 12WF45 steel beams of corresponding length. At the hoist end, holes cut in strap plates welded to the lower flange of the steel beam fit over bolts set in the concrete beams for the expansion joint. At the outboard end, similar holes fit over anchor bolts in the pier.

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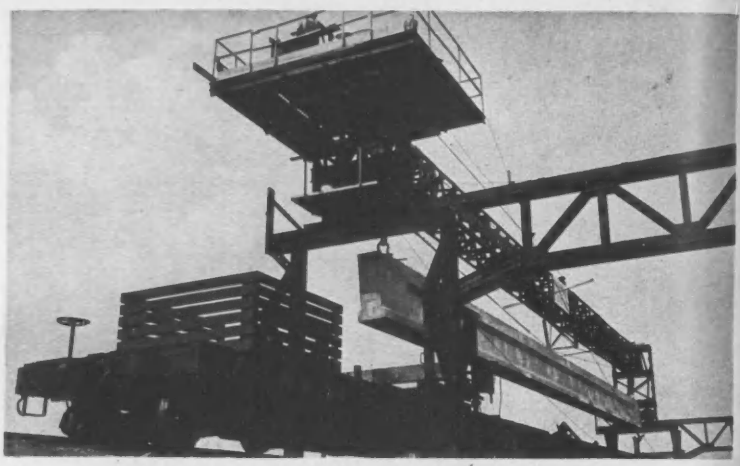
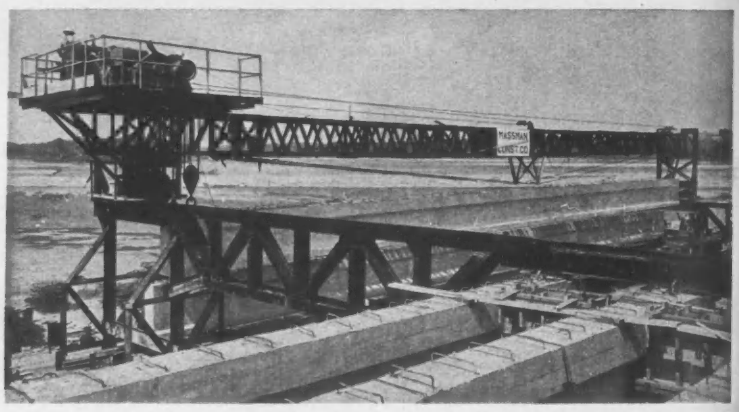


Legs of gantry towers straddle railroad tracks on dike.



Truss and beams support rails on which gantry travels.

ft—and over the 28-ft gap from the upstream pier to the tracks on the dike, the gantry rail is supported by steel trusses. Fabricated from excess material in Massman's yard, the interior truss is built up of pieces of 21WF beams and the outboard truss of 14WF stock. The beam and truss assemblies bolt together to support the full length of rail.

The two outboard trusses tie into towers set on the dike over the railroad track. Each tower has four legs made of 5-in. extra strong pipe. The legs straddle the track so that a railroad car carrying the concrete beams can be run beneath the towers. Rails on top of the towers are extensions of those carried by the trusses. The gantry can roll on to the towers, pick a beam off the flatcar, hoist and carry the beam to its position on either pier, and lower the beam into place.

Hinged jacks that swing inboard are mounted on the lower sections of the tower legs. They are used to move the gentry to another position. The crane is run onto the towers and the jacks swung in to engage the deck of a flatcar below. The entire assembly is jacked up until the tower legs clear the ground and the flatcars pulled forward with a crawler tractor until the gantry is in place opposite another pair of piers.

The gantry rail and truss units are disassembled and moved to the next pier by mobile crane. Breaking the assembly down, moving it to a new location and reassembling takes one day.

Thirteen pairs of reinforced concrete piers founded on prestressed concrete piles support the twin structures. Piles are driven and piers built "in the dry" because of the contractor's dikes and wellpoints installed by the dewatering subcontractor, John W. Stang Corp.

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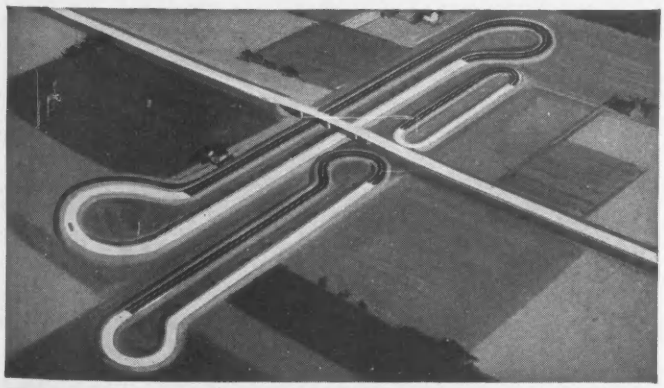

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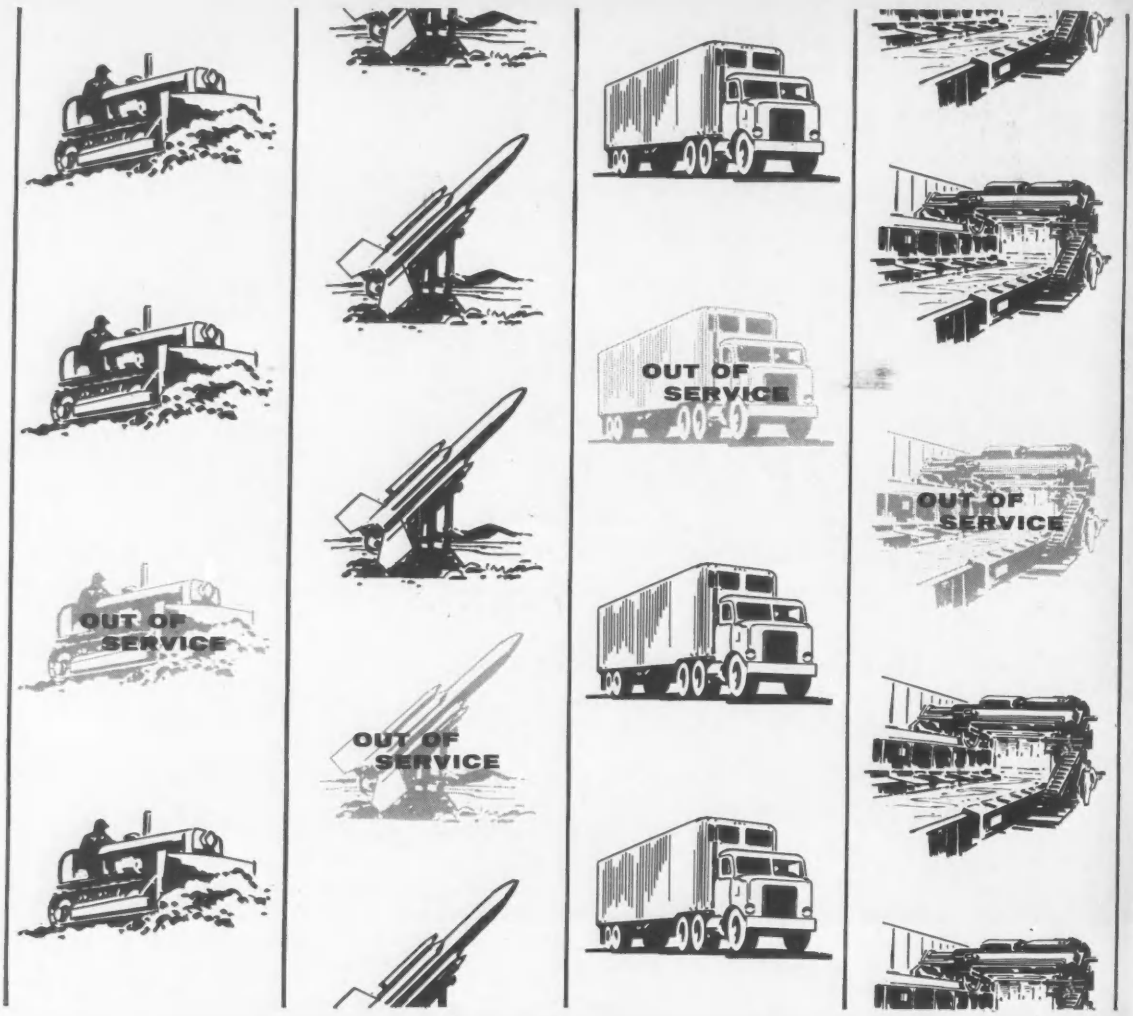

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'Missile Mauler' Tests the Polaris

The frame pictured at right is a kind of torture chamber for the power plant of the Polaris missile. Its job: to impose test loads on the power plant equal to the various loads it will encounter during the ejection and flight of the Navy's submarine bird.

It's called a "missile mauler" by the structural engineers who designed it, a "static testing stand" by those less intimately involved. The frame is now in operation at the Aerojet-General plant near Sacramento, Calif. (ENR July 7, p. 38).

The main-frame columns are 21 ft c-c; clear height from base to top of main-frame girders is 28 ft. There are four movable beams on top of the frame; two of them support an inner cage. The cage hangs free—neither columns nor bottom plate contact the base of the main frame. However, lateral movement of the columns is prevented at the base.

The missile's two-stage power plant is suspended from the top plate of the cage.

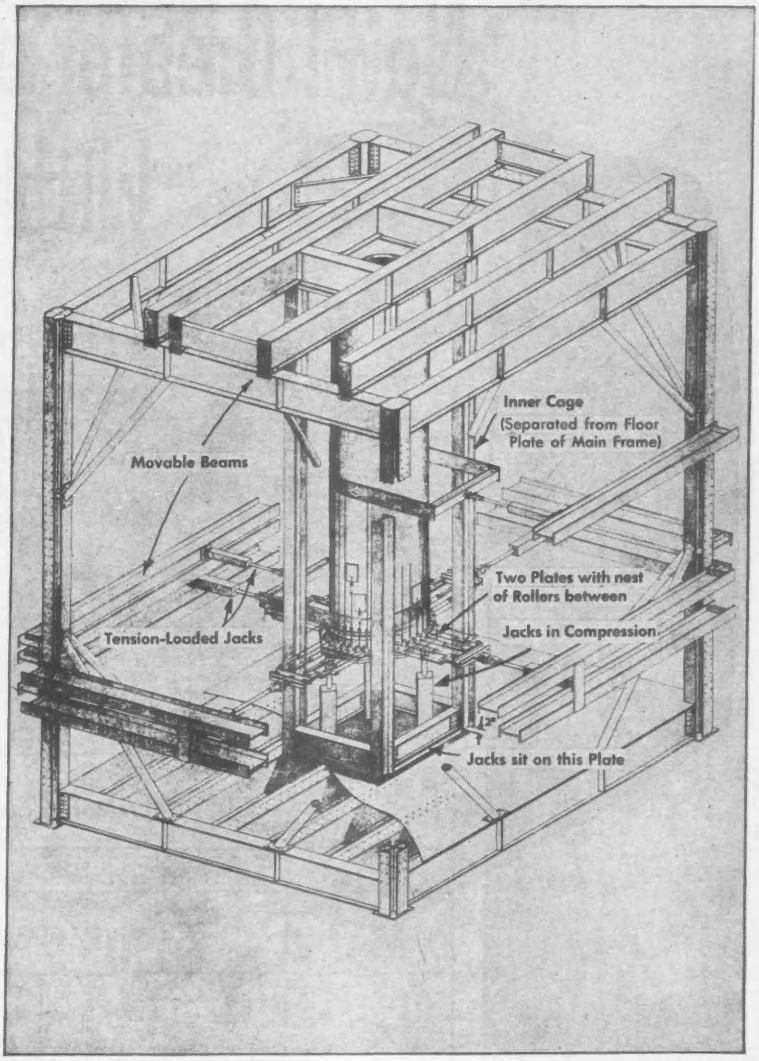
The frame reproduces these loads imposed on the missile:

- Compressive thrust caused by air pressure when the missile is ejected from a submarine. This load is applied by four jacks seated on the bottom plate of the cage.
- Effects of inertia, friction and gravity. These are represented by skin pads fastened to the surface of the unit. The force on these pads is equalized by a system of cables and pulleys. Load is applied to this system by jacks mounted on movable side beams fastened to the columns of the main frame.
- Forces in handling and transporting the missile and forces caused by a change of direction in flight. These forces are applied through collars girdling the unit.

The main frame is designed to resist movable loads along top and bottom girders and along the columns. These movable loads vary in location and amount. They are simultaneously applied to the frame in varying combinations.

The design procedure consisted of first writing a series of equations describing the relative displacement of all knee joints of the frame as a whole under each load condition. This was done a second time to include the effect of side sway.

Next step was to consider the top girder alone. Pinned ends were assumed as well as springs in lieu of the knee braces. A series of relative displacement equations were written for the deflection at the springs for actual loads moving along the top beam. This was followed by the solution of simultaneous equations from these general conditions. This gave the stress in the knee braces and led, in turn, to the design of all members.

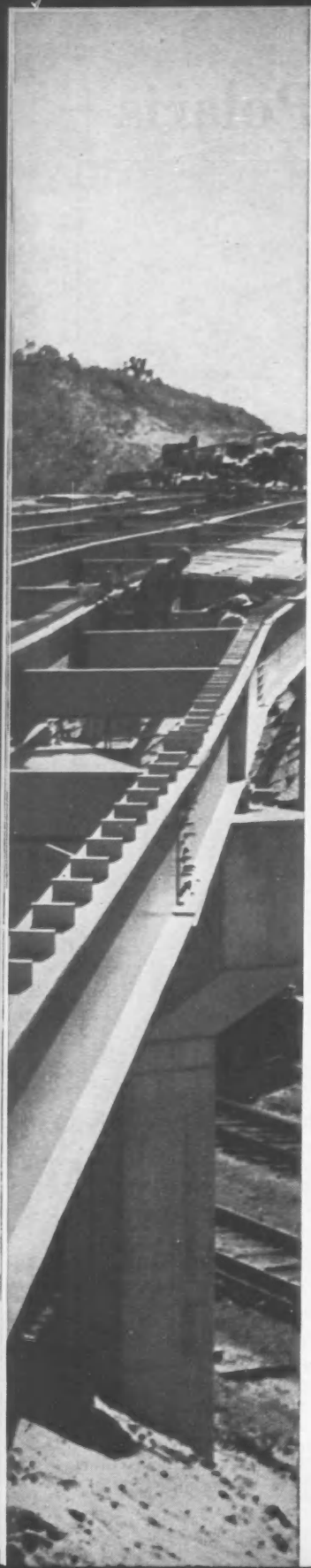


Missile suffers all the pains of flight without leaving test rack.

Interesting features of design include the main-frame columns, which consist of pairs of wide-flange members cut and welded together to form columns equally stiff in both directions. Members are joined with high-strength bolts. The design of the connection takes advantage of the high tensile strength of the bolts as well as their shear strength. The gage of bolt holes in columns, beams, jack bases and fittings is constant so that all top and side beams are interchangeable and can be used on any side or on top of the frame in either direction.

In anticipation of oil leaking from the jacks on the steel base plate of the main frame, this plate was covered with an adhesive and carborundum particles were sprinkled over it to form a nonskid surface.

The structure was designed by Earl W. Gerharter, structural engineer, of the firm of LeRoy F. Greene, consulting engineers, and fabricated and erected by Palm Iron and Bridge Works—all of Sacramento, Calif.



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Si.	...	...	...	...	...	.15/.30

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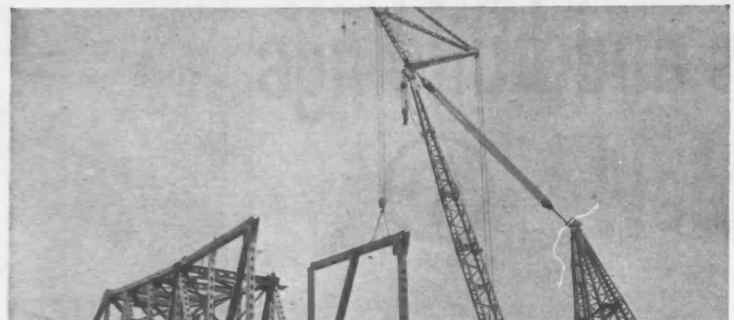

Ohio River bridge takes shape as . . .

Big Derrick Places Trusses

A huge stiff-leg derrick with a 200-ft-high boom and a 50-ft jib handled truss erection on a recently completed Ohio River bridge.

Designed by John F. Beasley Construction Co., Chicago, specifically for bridge erection, the derrick has a 150-ton capacity. It was mounted on barges for this job, but can also be mounted on a set of motorized wheels that ride on tracks.

The derrick was moved across the water with a system of cables. Rapid positioning of the derrick is one of its main advantages; this was particularly important on this job, where there was heavy river traffic and the derrick was moved in and out of the channel daily.

Located at New Martinsville, West Virginia, the bridge connects Ohio with West Virginia and replaces a ferry. It is 2,100 ft long and consists of five girder spans (totaling 520 ft) and a through truss with two 430-ft anchor spans and a 715-ft center span. Height of the truss over the piers is 100 ft.

The truss spans were fabricated from 2,900 tons of carbon steel and 1,300 tons of low alloy steel. The anchor span roadway is regular concrete and the center span is lightweight concrete with an asphaltic wearing surface.

Heaviest lifts were the six falsework towers used under the anchor spans. They were 60 ft high and weighed 50 tons, including a movable hydraulic jack assembly. Assembled on shore and barged out into the river, the towers were hoisted into place by the derrick.

The derrick also placed preassembled sections including portals, top and bottom laterals and the floor system. The most intricate assembly was composed of three pin-connected truss members erected in one lift.

Another Beasley boom is being tried out on a Mississippi River bridge project near Helena, Ark. Claimed to be the world's largest, the boom is 250 ft long and has a 75-ft jib; its capacity is 125 tons. The boom was built for use on the $9 million Panama Canal bridge to start next year (ENR Mar. 10, p. 22).

The bridge is part of the Federal Aid Secondary System and is being built for the State Road Commission of West Virginia. It was designed by Praeger-Kavanagh, New York City, and fabricated by Mt. Vernon Bridge Co., Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

Emulsion-Straw Mix Controls Dust at Jet Base

The Corps of Engineers has applied a mixture of asphalt emulsion and straw to eliminate excess dust sucked into air intakes of jet engines from unseeded areas adjacent to runways at Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Oscoda, Mich. The dust problem had resulted in excessively high engine maintenance costs.

Constant use of runways and the heavy wind eddies developed during takeoffs ruled out use of a standard mulch as holding material during germination of soil cover.

The mixture had 100 gallons of Bitumuls Soil Cover per ton. A straw mulch machine designed by William Reinhold, landscape engineer, applied two tons of the mixture to each of 600 acres.

The cover was effective in holding soil in place until plants were firmly rooted for permanent protection.

"Flashing Flagman" Alerts Motorists to Repair Jobs

Portable light stands dubbed "flashing flagmen" are in use by Oregon Highway Department bridge and road crews to direct traffic while emergency repairs are being made, where crews are working at night or in locations of impaired visibility.

The signs have flashing red and amber lights mounted on telescoping standards over paired yellow flags and informative signs. The lights can be raised as high as 10 ft to clear obstructions such as parked cars or trucks. Twelve-volt batteries power the units and serve also to stabilize the stands against the wind.

The device was developed in the Salem maintenance division.

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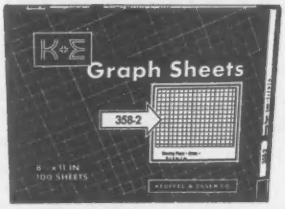

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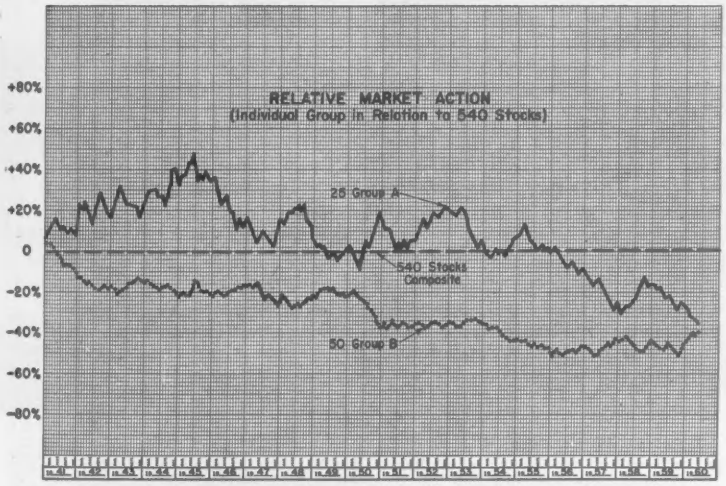

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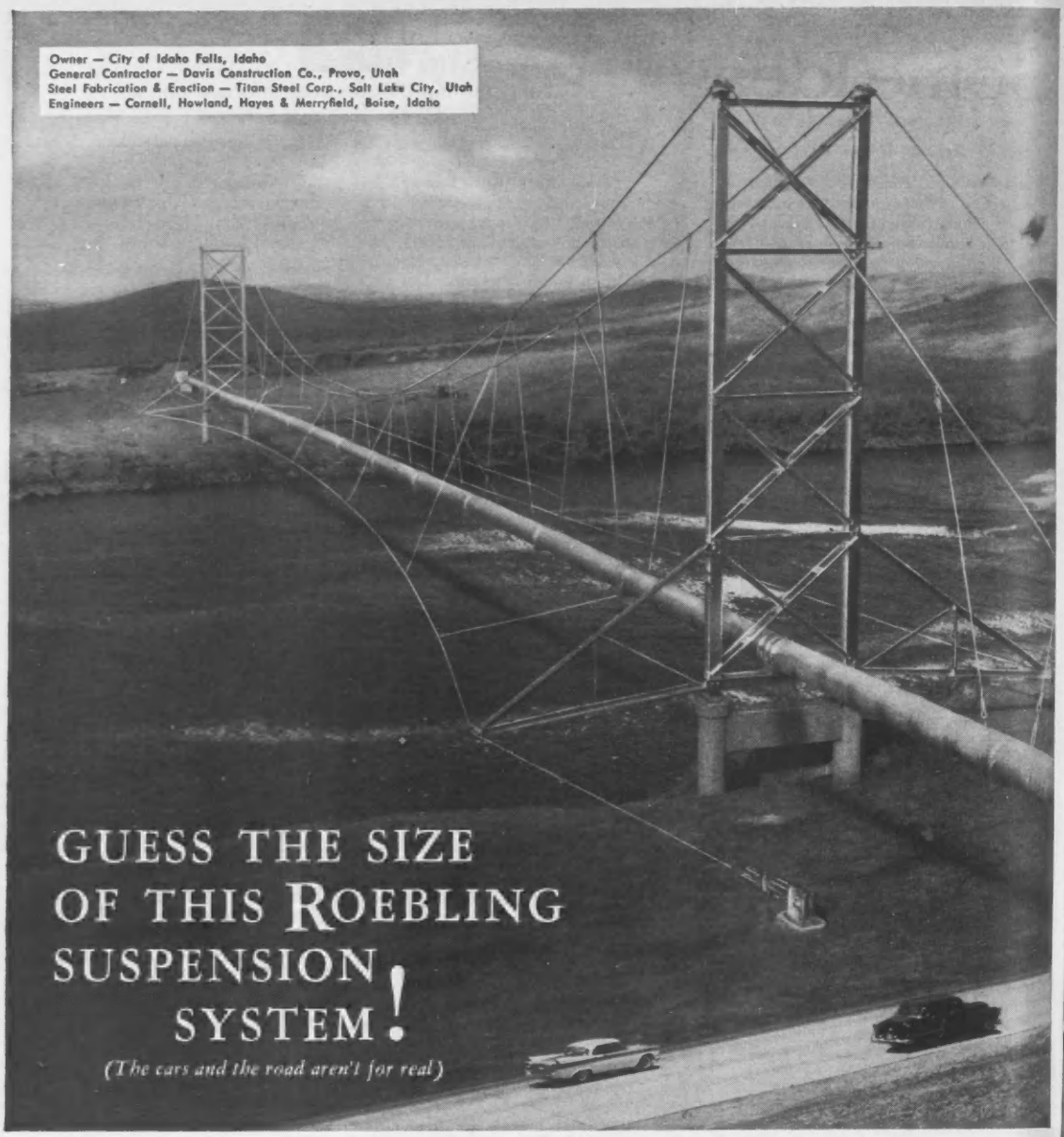
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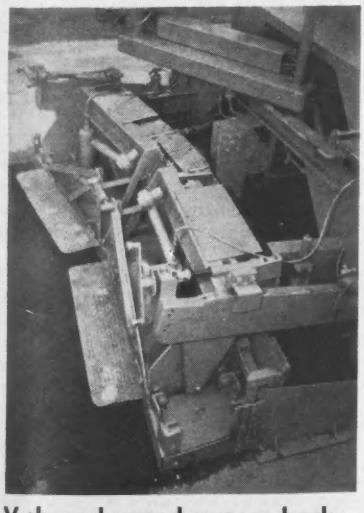

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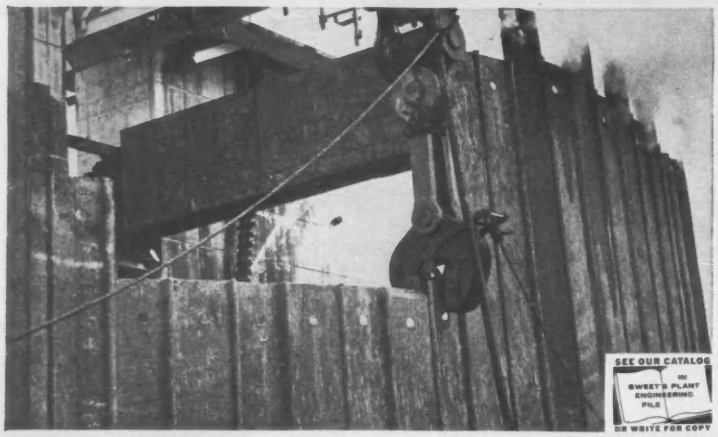

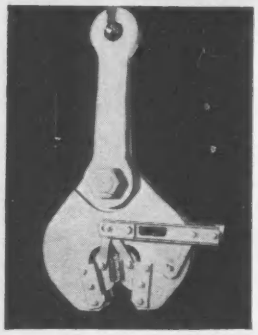

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Using this console, it is possible for one man to serve as dispatcher and operate the batching plant and aggregate system from one office. Noble Co., 1860 7th St, Oakland, Calif.

Two End Dump Models Added to Hauler Line

Models 42 and 60 are recent end dump additions to the Haulpak line of off-highway haulers.

The 60-ton-capacity truck weighs 33 tons and is powered by a 550-hp Cummins turbocharged diesel engine. An Allison Torqmatic transmission has six speeds forward. Top speed for the Model 60 is 47 mph.

The Model 42 is powered with a 430-hp Cummins diesel and the six-speed Allison transmission. It is capable of a top speed of 48 mph.

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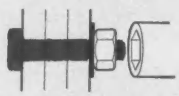

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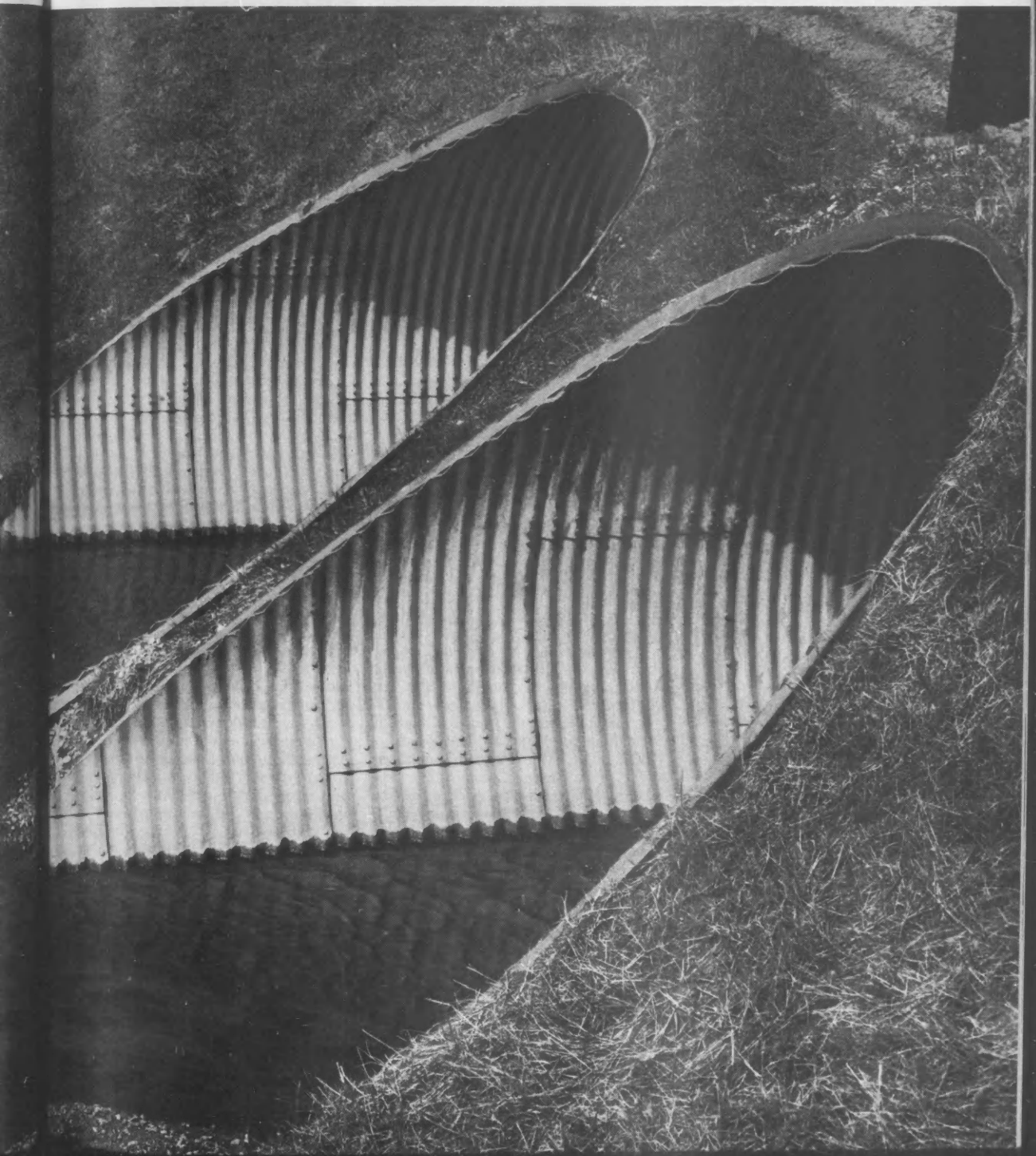

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High Corps Post Changes Hands

Brig. Gen. Clarence Renshaw retired last week as Director of Military Construction in the Office of the Chief of Engineers, after 31 years active service with the Corps. The vacated post will be filled in January by Brig. Gen. James B. Lampert, now in Vietnam as a deputy chief of the U. S. Military Assistance Advisory Group there.

General Renshaw, 53 years old, intends to continue an active career in construction, but he has no fixed plans for the next few months. He will maintain residence in Washington, D. C., at least until early spring while shaping future plans.

His successor, 46-year-old General Lampert has been a nuclear power expert for the Corps. For five years, 1952 to 1957, he held dual assignments as Special Assistant to the Chief of Engineers for Nuclear Power and as Chief of the Army Reactors Branch of the Atomic Energy Commission. During this period, the first package reactor at Fort Belvoir was designed and built.

A 1936 graduate from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, General Lampert served in the Pacific Theater during World War II. As Engineer, XIV Army Corps, he participated in the invasion of Luzon, the capture of Manila and the occupation of Japan.

Later, General Lampert had served in 1946 as executive officer to Lt. Gen. Leslie R. Groves on the Manhattan Project, followed by two years as special assistant to Maj. Gen. K. D. Nichols, Chief of the Armed Forces Special Weapons Project.

Between these special assignments, General Lampert headed the Arkansas-White-Red Rivers Inter-Agency Office and served as District Engineer, Charleston S. C.

General Renshaw acquired advanced degrees from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and worked on Army projects from Panama to New York during the 12 years following his 1912 graduation from the Military Academy. In 1941 he was placed in charge of design and construction of the Pentagon, which he completed in 1942.

During the next two years, General Renshaw served as District Engineer at four locations, ending up at Manila, from which he was called back to organize and command Engineer troop battalions for European and Pacific theaters. In Philadelphia in 1944, General Renshaw was charged with the organization and training of the Engineer troop battalions which manned port repair ships and militarized dredges in Europe and the Pacific.

In 1946, back in Manila, he took command of 20,000 troops in a combined organization for construction and rehabilitation.

Back in the U. S., General Renshaw in 1951 organized and commanded the Northeast District of the Corps which built the arctic air base at Thule, Greenland. Following that task, he was District Engineer in Okinawa and Division Engineer of the North Atlantic Division for four years. He moved from that position to Director of Military Construction in May 1959.

H. Earl Fullilove

Biggest Employers' Group Names 1961 Chairman

The country's biggest Building Trades Employers' Association undergoes a change in its top command on January 1.

Peter W. Eller, chairman of the board of governers of the Building Trades Employers' Association in New York City, retires on that day and will be succeeded by the present vice chairman, H. Earl Fullilove.

Mr. Fullilove joined the BTEA early last year in the newly-created office of vice chairman of the board of governers. Before that he had been for 18 years with the George A. Fuller Co. of New York City, serving since 1950 as director of labor relations.

Mr. Eller, long known in the construction industry, started in 1912 in the construction department of Thompson Starrett Co., New York City. He moved through progressive stages to become president of Thompson Starrett in 1943. While still with them he was a member of the BTEA executive committee for 13 years; on the board of governers for 16 years; and president for four years.

He is also the only employer ever to hold the office of National Referee of the Building and Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor, having been elected to that post from 1941 to 1944.

In addition, Mr. Eller is a member of the Public Works Advisory Board of the State of New York and a member of the board of governers of the New York Building Congress.

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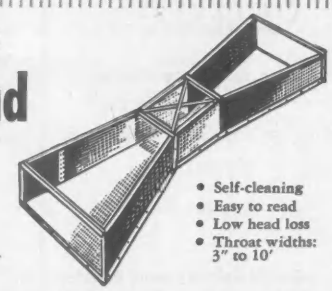

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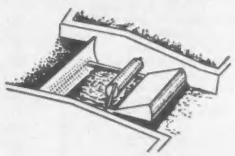

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Roller, pneumatic, rent	hr	40	11.00	11.50
Water, subgrade & base	gal	100	5.00	6.00
CMP, culvert 22"x13"	lf	50	7.50	8.00
18"x11"	lf	160	7.00	6.50
22"x13"flared end sec.	ea	2	50.00	40.00
18"x11"	ea	6	45.00	50.00
Base, mat crse 1½" for rdwy, f&p	t	1,815		
Asph, rapid cur, cut back gr RC-3, for seal coat	gal	3,540	0.30	0.32
Surf, bit plnt mix, f&p	t	420	12.00	13.50
Asph, med cur, cut back gr MG-1, for seal coat	gal	2,110	0.30	0.20
Chips, f&spread	t	110	8.00	7.00
Barrier, rock, 1½cy, field stone type rock, f&p	ea	.....	1.50	2.00

Schedule 2—Picnic Parking Area, Saddlehorn

Bids: 7-27-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit 1C	Prices 2
Loader operation, rent	hr	10	$12.00	$13.00
Truck, 5cy capacity, rent	hr	15	7.00	8.00
Grader, motor cat 12 or equal oper & maint by contr, rent	hr	30	13.00	13.50
Roller, pneumatic, rent	hr	20	11.00	11.50
Water, for subg & base	Mgal	100	5.00	6.00
Aggregate, base crse, 1½"	t	955	3.00	3.75
Asph, med cur, cut back gr MC-1, for prime coat	gal	1,600	0.30	0.20
Surf, bit plnt mix, f&p	t	557	12.00	13.50
Conc, curb & gutter	lf	830	3.50	3.60
Walk, bit	sy	225	2.50	2.00
Header, sidewalk, 2"x6"	lf	125	1.00	0.50
Parking space, stripe	lf	2,065	0.30	0.20

Schedule 3—Water and Sewer Systems, Saddlehorn

Water System—Saddlehorn

Bids: 7-27-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit 1C	Prices 2
Pipe, cmt lined, CIMJ, f&i cl 150 8"	lf	840	6.50	7.15
6"	lf	650	5.25	6.05
4"	lf	1,240	4.25	4.88
CI tee 8"x8"x8"	ea	2	100.00	75.00
6"x6"x6"	ea	2	75.00	73.00
6"x6"x4"	ea	1	70.00	65.00
4"x4"x4"	ea	2	50.00	50.00
Pipe, steel galv stnd & fittings 2"	lf	940	2.75	2.75
¾"	lf	360	2.50	2.25
CI reducer 8"x4"	ea	1	50.00	54.00
6"-4"	ea	2	40.00	38.00
CI bend 8", 11¼-45 deg	ea	1	75.00	69.00
6", 11¼, 22½ 45 deg	ea	2	50.00	45.00
90 deg	ea	2	50.00	45.00
4", 11¼ to 45 deg	ea	3	40.00	35.00
Flange, reducer 4"-2"	ea	1	75.00	70.00
CI vlve box & gate vlv 6"	ea	2	150.00	160.00
4"	ea	2	115.00	120.00
2"	ea	3	90.00	70.00
Vlv, air release & corr met vlv box	ea	1	200.00	220.00
Hyd, fire 6" with operating wrench, gate vlv & box, i	ea	3	500.00	480.00
Fountain, drink, & water ser, CI grate & conc base	ea	4	500.00	475.00
Meter, water similar & equal to Hersey mod HD 2"	ea	1	350.00	390.00
Vlv, stop & CI vlv box ¾"	ea	4	40.00	35.00
Conc, vlv box with gate vlvs, plus CI tees, reducers, MH frame & cover, compl at reservoir	ls	job	2,500	3,780

Sewer System—Saddlehorn

Bids: 7-27-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit 1C	Prices 2
Sew, VC, SS 6"	lf	910	$4.75	$5.25
CIP, soil 6"	lf	20	5.00	4.75
Conc, MH & cover	ea	8	300.00	400.00
septic tank, 5,000 gal capacity	ls	job	4,475	4,260
Sew disposal, sub-surf sand filter plnt, plus VCP 4", grvl, sand crse, embank earth, covers earth, fence chain link, gate, MH & cleanout	ls	job	11,500	13,000

Schedule 4—Water & Sewer Systems, Grand Junction Entrance

Water System

Bids: 7-27-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit 1C	Prices 2
Pipe, galv steel stnd 1½"	lf	460	2.15	2.80
¾"	lf	20	1.05	1.90
CI vlv box, & curb stop 1½" & gate vlv 1½"	ea	2	75.00	65.00
near stn culv	ea	1	57.00	60.00
Fountain, drink water ser, conc base, CI grate	ea	2	500.00	475.00

Sewer System

Bids: 7-27-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit 1C	Prices 2
CIP, sew, Xtr heavy 6"	lf	90	2.95	3.00
Pipe, clay sew SS 6"	lf	20	2.20	3.03
MH, conc or brick	ea	2	250.00	350.00
Septic tank, 3,000 gal capacity	ls	job	1,822	2,320
Field, disposal	ls	job	1,298	1,980

Schedule 5—Picnic Shelter Road and Parking Area and Driveways for Residences of Grand Junction Entrance

Bids: 7-27-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit 1C	Prices 2
Loader, operation, rent	hr	16	$12.00	$13.00
Truck, 5cy capacity, rent	hr	32	7.00	8.00
Tractor, cat D-7 or equal, with bulldozer & detach ripper tooth when req, rent	hr	16	16.00	15.00
Roller, pneumatic, rent	hr	8	11.00	11.50
Compressor, air port, & tools 50C.F.M. min capacity	hr	8	8.00	8.50
Grader, motor cat-12 or equal, rent	hr	8	13.00	13.50
Bids: 7-27-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit 1C	Prices 2
Water, for rdwy constr	Mgal	50	$5.00	$6.00
Base, crse 1½", for rdwy	t	570	2.00	2.50
Asph, med cur cut back, MC-1 for prime coat	gal	980	0.30	0.20
Surf, bit plnt mix, f&p	t	340	10.00	12.00
Curb stone, f&t	lf	260	3.50	3.80

Labor and Materials Prices

Monthly Market Quotations by ENR Field Reporters

HOURLY WAGE RATES—Base rate + fringe benefits

	Common Labor: Building	Common Labor: Heavy Const	Bricklayers	Carpenters	Struct. Iron Workers	Hoisting Engineers	Plasterers	Electrical Workers	Steamfitters	Truck drivers: 1½ T	Truck drivers: under 4 cy	Truck drivers: over 4 cy
Atlanta	$2.00	$2.00	$4.00	$3.35	$3.60+7½¢	$3.675	$3.50+3¢	$4.00+5¢	$3.85+22½¢	$2.10	$2.20	$2.45
Baltimore	2.27+7½¢	2.27+7½¢	4.10+20¢	3.60+7½¢	4.00+178¢	3.35/4.05+10¢A	3.85+13¢	3.85+7½¢	3.84+175	2.20+15¢	2.20+15¢	2.20+15¢
Birmingham	1.95	2.05	4.05	3.23	3.65+10¢	3.30	3.37	3.65	3.70+12¢	2.00	2.20	2.45
Boston	2.75+10¢	2.65+10¢	4.05+30¢	3.65+10¢	4.14+20¢	4.05+20¢	3.80+45¢	4.10+25¢	3.95+27¢	2.70+23¢	2.70+23¢	2.70+23¢
Chicago	3.02½+7½¢	3.02½+7½¢	4.225+10¢	3.91+20¢	4.35+16¢	3.90+5¢	4.00+27¢	4.30	4.10+25¢	2.58+175¢	.....	.....
Cincinnati	2.90	2.90	4.025+12¢	3.90	3.95+10¢	3.575/3.80A	3.875+.01	4.09+.511	4.10+9½¢	2.65+62½¢	2.70+6½¢	2.75+6½¢
Cleveland	3.37	3.285	4.085+10¢	4.11	4.01+10¢	4.11	4.11	4.17	3.91+20¢	2.92+15¢	2.92+15¢	2.92+15¢
Dallas	1.85	1.85	4.10	3.45	3.55+7½¢	3.60	3.875+10¢	3.635+7½¢	3.70+88¢	1.80/2.625	1.80/2.625	1.80/2.625
Denver	2.32	2.32	4.00	3.60	3.71+10¢	3.25	3.80+12¢	4.05+47¢	3.95+10¢	2.40/2.60	2.75	2.90
Detroit	2.90+34¢	2.90+34¢	3.98+33¢	3.63+46¢	4.00+27½¢	3.63+39½¢	3.75+38¢	4.00+52	3.90+49¢	3.03+175¢	3.03+175¢	3.03+175¢
Kansas City	2.58	2.63	4.075	3.625	3.775	3.57	3.875	3.90+427¢	3.80+9½¢	2.555	2.555	2.63
Los Angeles	3.08+10¢	3.08+10¢	4.20+25¢	3.825+20¢	4.27½+25½¢	3.81+20¢	4.25+42½¢	4.65+46	4.33+64¢	3.365+10¢	3.365+10¢	3.555+10¢
Minneapolis	2.85	2.85	3.875+15	3.50+15¢	3.62+15¢	3.60+33¢	3.60+33¢	3.70+44¢	3.62+37¢	2.85	2.85	3.00
New Orleans	1.92½	1.95	3.72½+7½¢	3.30	3.60+10¢	3.425+7½¢	3.34+5¢	3.90+7½¢	3.80+7½¢	3.425+7½¢	3.375+7½¢	3.375+7½¢
New York	3.45+28¢	3.45+28¢	4.80+60¢	4.55+36¢	4.60+65¢	4.80+38¢	4.70+67¢	4.15+1.25	4.65+61¢	2.35+26½¢	3.40+28½¢	3.40+28½¢
Philadelphia	2.55+10¢	2.60+15¢	4.25+17¢	3.885+15¢	4.45+23¢	3.935/4.215+10¢A	4.15+20¢	4.37½+16¢	4.20+31½¢	2.45+15	2.45+15½¢	2.45+15
Pittsburgh	2.725+20¢	2.55+20¢	4.45+20¢	3.975+20¢	4.30+20¢	3.73+20¢	4.225+20¢	4.60+34½¢	4.15+20¢	2.59+20¢	2.635+20¢	2.735+20¢
St. Louis	2.925+10¢	2.925+10¢	4.05+32½¢	3.875+10¢	3.875+10¢	4.00	4.00+07½¢	4.11+50¢	4.27½+25½¢	2.93+15¢	3.13+15¢	3.23+15¢
San Francisco	3.045+10¢	3.045+10¢	4.40+42½¢	3.725+36¢	4.275+25¢	3.80+35¢	3.79+63¢	4.22+29¢	4.36+72¢	3.19+11¢	3.27+11¢	3.08+11¢
Seattle	3.00+10¢	3.00+10¢	4.15+30¢	3.38+20¢	3.76+10¢	3.84+20¢	3.72+30¢	3.95+27¢	3.89+28¢	3.40+20¢	3.40+20¢	3.60+20¢
Montreal	1.75+4¢	1.75+4¢	2.55+6¢	2.35+5¢	2.55+6¢	2.35+5¢	2.65+6¢	2.45+5¢	2.62+6¢n	1.75+4¢	1.75+4¢	1.75+4¢
Toronto	2.00+8¢	2.00+8¢	320+13¢	2.95+12¢	3.05+12¢	3.20+13¢	3.20+21¢	3.52+14¢	3.47+13¢	2.05+15¢	2.05+15¢	2.05+15¢

	Tractor Operators: 34-49 hp	Tractor Operators: 50-100 hp	Tractor Operators: 100 & over	Tractor scraper 15-16 cy	Power cranes & shovels: ½ cy	Power cranes & shovels: ¾ cy	Motor grader oper	Air comp oper	Air tool oper
Atlanta	$3.15	$3.15	$3.15	$3.15	$3.675	$3.675	$3.15	$2.825	$2.22
Baltimore	3.65+10¢	3.65+10¢	3.65+10¢	3.65+10¢	4.05+10¢	4.05+10¢	3.85+10¢	3.25+10¢	2.325+7½¢
Birmingham	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	2.89	2.15
Boston	3.52½+20¢	3.52½+20¢	3.52½+20¢	3.52½+20¢	3.90+20¢	3.90+20¢	3.52½+20¢	3.45+20¢	2.80+10¢
Chicago	3.65+5¢	3.80+5¢	3.70+5¢	3.70+5¢	4.25+5¢	4.25+5¢	3.70+5¢	3.55+5¢	3.85+5¢
Cincinnati	3.575+10¢	3.575+10¢	3.575+10¢	3.575+10¢	3.575+10¢	3.80+10¢	3.80+10¢	3.80+10¢	3.80+10¢
Cleveland	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.86	4.11	4.11	3.86	3.735	3.735
Dallas	1.80/2.625	1.80/2.625	1.80/2.625	1.80/2.625	3.325	3.325	1.80/2.625	2.00	2.00
Denver	2.50	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.25	3.25	3.10	3.10	2.60
Detroit	3.63+39½¢	3.63+39½¢	3.63+39½¢	3.63+39½¢	3.63+39½¢	3.63+39½¢	3.63+39½¢	3.63+395¢	3.03+34¢
Kansas City	2.575	3.325	3.325	3.325	3.57	3.57	3.325	3.325	2.675
Los Angeles	4.11+20¢	4.11+20¢	4.11+20¢	4.21+20¢	4.21+20¢	4.21+20¢	4.21+20¢	3.33+20¢	3.29+10¢
Minneapolis	3.23	3.45	.....	3.45	3.67	3.93+10¢	3.23	3.12	3.00
New Orleans	3.42½+7½¢	3.42½+7½¢	3.42½+7½¢	3.42½+7½¢	3.42½+7½¢	3.42½+7½¢	3.42½+7½¢	2.72+7½¢	2.02½
New York	4.175+33¢	4.175+33¢	4.175+33¢	4.30+34¢	5.05+40¢	5.05+40¢	4.30+34¢	4.30+34¢	3.90+.195¢
Philadelphia	3.63+10	3.775+10	3.775+10	3.90+10	4.345+10	4.345+10	3.765+10	3.51+10	2.40/2.50+10¢
Pittsburgh	3.72+20¢	3.72+20¢	3.72+20¢	3.72+20¢	3.92+20¢	3.92+20¢	3.92+20¢	3.43+20¢	2.60+20¢
St. Louis	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.45	3.45
San Francisco	4.01+35¢	4.01+35¢	4.01+35¢	4.14+35¢	4.31+35¢	4.31+35¢	4.21+35¢	3.48+35¢	3.475+10¢
Seattle	3.81+20¢	3.81+20¢	3.81+20¢	3.81+20¢	4.18+20¢	4.18+20¢	3.90+20¢	3.54+20¢	3.20+10¢
Montreal	1.95+4¢	2.18+5¢	2.18+5¢	2.18+5¢	2.45+5¢	2.45+5¢	2.18+5¢	2.05+5¢	2.05+5¢
Toronto	2.45+10¢	2.55+10¢	2.55+10¢	2.50+10¢	3.05+12¢	3.20+12¢	2.85+11¢	2.55+10¢	2.55+10¢

ENR Skilled Labor Average (Bricklayers, Carpenters, Iron Workers): $4.095, ENR Common Labor Average $2.747

Description of fringe benefits last appeared Sept. 22 1960. •A 1-2 drum.

BUILDING BOARD & LATH AND INSULATION—DELIVERED TRUCKLOAD LOTS

	GYPSUM PLASTER BOARD tapered edge per Msq ft ½"	GYPSUM PLASTER BOARD tapered edge per Msq ft ⅝"	GYPSUM BOARD LATH plain or perf per Msq ft ⅜" x 16" x 48"	GYPSUM SHEATHING tongue & groove per Msq ft ½" x 2' x 8'	FIBER BOARD SHEATHING asph impreg & coat per Msq ft ½" sq ed	FIBER BOARD SHEATHING asph impreg & coat per Msq ft ¾" T&G	FIBER BOARD INSULATION sq edge, paint per Msq ft ½"	MINERAL WOOL INSULATION loose, per 40-lb bag a	MINERAL WOOL INSULATION 3" batts per M sf	GLASS FIBER INSULATION loose, per 40-lb bag a	GLASS FIBER INSULATION 3" batts per M sf	ALUMINUM FOIL 80# Kraft 1 side foil per roll of 250 s. f.	ALUMINUM FOIL Expansible Blanket 2 layers foil per Msq ft
Atlanta	$65.00F	$55.00F	$42.50F	$68.00F	$72.00F	$127.00F	$75.00F	1.59z	$70.00F	$2.00	$80.00F	$4.77qi	
Baltimore	54.00	47.50	35.75	55.70	65.00	108.50	69.00	1.40F	67.50F	1.60F	47.00F	4.00F	$33.50F
Birmingham	68.90H	57.00H	47.77H	75.00H	67.50H	140.50H	83.50H	1.40	70.00	2.00	65.00	3.77gG	.....
Boston	60.00mH	50.00mH	35.00mH	55.00mH	65.00H	120.00H	79 00knH	1.40bH	75.00H	.....	75.00H	5.30zHS	53.50qH
Chicago	67.00	54.00	45.00	62.00	87.00	123.00	87.00	1.85	80.00	.....	63/65 l	5.25j	.....
Cincinnati	52.50wH	42.85wH	33.05wH	51.16wH	77.00wH	125.00wH	72.50wH	1.45wH	60.00wH	1.45wH	60.00wH	2.85iwJ	50.00wJ
Cleveland	62.00CF	56.50CF	41.50CF	65.00CF	80.00CF	129.00CF	80.00CF	1.35	75/80H	.....	67.00	14.00ioJ	55.00J
Dallas	56.25	46.85	42.50	56.25	68.75	118.00	68.75	2.00	70.00	1.75	70.67	5.00gAG	45.00
Denver	62.50H	51.50H	43.00H	67.00H	62.50H	103.50H	77.00	1.55b	65.00wb	2.00b	65.00a	5.25	48.65
Detroit	66.00K	56.00K	42.45K	66.00K	48.50DK	85.65DK	62.50DK	1.30b	52.00	1.85b	80.00	.....	.....
Kansas City	72.00H	62.00H	45.00H	.....	75.00H	122.00H	80.00H	1.40H	75.00H	1.80H	75.00H	3.60d	60.00
Los Angeles	Q 66.00F	60.50F	0.33xF	64.50F	75.00F	125.00F	80.00F	76.00BeF	83.00F	1.35a	64.00	4.65g	7.90V
Minneapolis	P 75.00F	65.00F	0.41xL	75.00F	95.00F	130.00F	78.00F	2.25yF	80.00F	2.10F	80.00F	4.2 F	.....
Montreal	58.00M	49.30M	37/41.50M	53.00M	64.75M	.....	58.50M	1.50M	66.00M	1.50M	66.00M	9.00qM	56.00M
New Orleans	57.00H	52.00H	45.00H	60.00H	67.00H	140.00H	80.00H	3.00L	70.00•	.....	.....	.....	62.50U
New York	65.00H	55.00H	42.50H	60.00H	78.00	124.00	78.00	1.55b	68.50k	.....	.....	4.38iH	40.00cH
Philadelphia	H 53.00	45.00	36.50	52.50	65.00	115.00	65.00	1.20	50.00	1.40	50.00	2.95	83.50
Pittsburgh	74.00K	65.00K	40.00K	63.00K	60.00K	100.00K	60.00K	1.25zK	55.00K	1.25zK	55.00K	4.25iqK	38.50K
St. Louis	55-65.00HO	50-55.00HO	40.00HO	65.00HO	70.00HO	115/120HO	75/80.00HO	125/135	65-75HO	2.00PHO	74.00HO	4.39iqHO	.....
San Francisco	60.00F	49.00F	0.36xF	61.00F	70.00F	111.00F	69.00F	1.75F	66.50F	1.75F	66.50F	5.10	60.00F
Seattle	68.00K	58.50K	51.50K	65.50K	65.00K	125.00K	71.00K	1.15tK	58.00K	1.90•pK	51.00•lKk	4.25K	46.50EK
Toronto	58.00	50.00	40.50L	67.50	79.00T	.....	88.00T	1.85	60.50	.....	60.50	15.00o	46.00

•• F.o.b. warehouse. •a Semi thick. •b 30# bag. •c 3 layers of foil: $54.50. •d 40# kraft paper, 5 Msf, 100/500 rolls. •e 20# sq ft bag, 4" thick. •f Full trailer loads. •g 80# kraft paper backing 400 rolls or over. •h LCL. •i 40#. •j 80#. •k 2-in. •l 2". •m 8 to 10 ton quantities. •n Distributor's siding. •o Per Msf roll. •p 32# bag. •q 500 sf. •s 35# bag. •t 26# bag •u Flame proof $75. •v 5000 sf quantity. •w F.o.b. city. •x Sq. yd. •y 30# bag. •z Spun rock wool. •A 650 sf. •B ton. •C F.o.b. plant, freight allowed. •D CL. •E 10 Msf. •F less 2% disc, 10th. •G ½ of 1%, 10 days. •H 2% disc, 10 days. •J 1% disc, 10 days. •K less 2% for cash. •L 5% disc, 10th mo. •M fed. tax incl. •N 1% disc, 10 days. •O add 2% sales tax. •P 50 lb. bags, •Q add 4% sales tax. •R revised. •S 45 lb. •T less 2%, 30 days. •U lots of 2606 sq. ft. •V 250 sf roll.

MEXICO CITY WAGES & PRICES

WAGES, av per week, 8 hr day (pesos)a		Nov. '60
Common labor,	building (peons)	101.50
	heavy const (peons)	136.50
Skilled labor,	carpenters 1 cl	210.00
	bricklayers 1 cl	245.00
	struct. ironworkers	315.00

•a 6 days work-extra day's pay

MATERIALS PRICES, F.o.b. City (pesos)		Nov. '60
Struct. steel shapes, fob Monterey		
I-beams, 3 x 3 x 4"	per metric ton	1940.00
Reinf. steel, corrugated rods, per ton		
⅜"-½" x 11 meters consolidadas		1900.00
¾"-1" x 11 meters		1800.00

		Nov. '60
Gravel, truckload, per cu meter		
Blue gravel		30.00
Cement, std. port. (Tolteca)	per metric ton	260.00
Lumber, 2" x 4" 1st class pine 20 ft.	per M sq. ft.	3000.00
2" x 4" 2nd class pine	per M sq. ft.	2500.00

Materials Prices

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CEMENT, AGGREGATE, READY-MIXED CONCRETE—F. O. B. CITY

	PORTLAND CEMENT* Per bbl. C/L lots cash, dis. not deducted			SAND AND GRAVEL Per ton, carload lots			CRUSHED STONE Per ton, carload lots		CRUSHED SLAG Per ton, carload lots, f.o.b. plant		CONCRETE BLOCK 8x8x16-in.* truckload del.* per block		CONCRETE Ready Mixed 1:2:4 del. per cy
	Paper	Bulk	Mortar	Gravel, 1½ in.	Gravel, ¾ in.	Sand	1½ in.	¾ in.	1½ in.	¾ in.	Sand grav.	Lt. wgt. agg.	50 cy & over
Atlanta	$4.38a‡	$3.88a‡	$3.68a‡	$3.10a‡	$3.10a‡	$1.85‡a	$2.18a	$2.33a	$1.65r	$1.75r	$0.175o	$0.21o	$13.75g
Baltimore	4.44a	3.93a	3.57a	2 80‡a	2.80‡a	2.25‡a	2.85‡a	2.90‡a	2.05‡a	2.00‡a	.18a	.18a	13.50ss
Birmingham	4.43c	3.50c/	....	2.53ns	2.53ns	2.13ns	2.75s	2.75s	1.65d	1.75d	.19	.19	14.25g
Boston	5.83ip	4.52ap	4.90imp	3.00qas	3.00qas	3.00qas	1.75qas	1.85qas	....	....	.23o	.275ao	15.00g
Chicago	4.52ag	4.02ag	4.15g	3.78‡e	3.78‡be	4.13‡be	3.95‡be	3.95‡be	2.25‡e	2.25‡e	.26‡e	.26‡be	14.50et
Cincinnati	4.84c	4.34c	4.31c	2.29‡cu	2.34‡cu	2.44‡cu	2.55‡cu	2.74‡cu	1.80u	1.80u	.19o	.25ao	15.00gr
Cleveland	4.77/.84‡	....	4.19‡ae	....	2.25ae	1.75ae	2.70fy	2.70fy	2.20‡f	2.20‡f	....	.23f	17.25u
Dallas	3.90a	3.46a	3.78a	2.65‡a	2.75‡a	1.90‡	2.47	2.67	....	....	....	.285	10.10z
Denver	4.89a	4.39a	4.89	1.95‡	2.15‡	1.42‡b	....	3.00‡x			.25	.27ao	11.90
Detroit	4.50a	3.91agg	4.08Ra	2.50ac	2.50ac	2.16ac	2 80‡dbm	2.80‡dbm	3.15ddaa	3.50ddaaas	.24u	.27‡au	15.50asa
Kansas City	4.52a	3.92a	4.30a	....	....	1.85‡a	2.00‡a	2.00‡a	....	....	.23a	.26c	14.50
Los Angeles‡‡	5.12ck	4.68ck	5.60c	2.56‡at	2.76‡at	2.41‡at	2.41‡at	2.46‡at	....	....	225f	.385	12 46‡z
Minneapolis	4.68a	4.17a	4.26a	2.70‡ae	2.70‡ae	1.60‡ae	4.00‡ae	4.00‡ae	....	....	20g	....	14.55f
Montreal	3.36‡det	3.11‡det	3.72‡det	1.90‡at	2.15‡at	2.40‡a	1.90††	2.15††	2.00†	2.00†	.20†	.25‡†	10.80ak‡
New Orleans	4.17b	3.65b	3.97b	2.61b	2.61b	2.16b	....	....	1.65d	1.75d	.25r	.25	14.00s
New York	4.71a	4.20a	3.77a			3.20bk	2.30bkw	2 65‡bk	....	....	.265nwo	.325wo	17.60ay
Philadelphia	4.51‡ae	4 01‡ae	3 631e	1.95‡a	1.95‡a	1.55‡a	2.00‡a	2.30‡a	2.25‡a	2.25‡a	....	.20w	13 90e
Pittsburgh	5.65bjk	4.62bj	5.00bjl	2.68‡aqx	2.68‡aqx	3.08‡aqx	2.00‡aqx	2.00‡aqx	2.10w	2.10w	.22rx	.22rx	16.15s
St. Louis‡‡	4.54a	4.04a	4.24a	3.40‡as	3.80‡as	2.40/3.40‡as	1.75‡s	1.75‡s	....	....	.26‡r	.32‡eo	13.65/14.10g
San Francisco	4 24c	3.79c	4.78c	2.02	2.02	2.12	2.17	2.17	....	....	.24	.28e/	13.00ew
Seattle	4.47‡a	3.75ag	4.65a	4.25‡bm	4.25‡bm	4.25‡bm	4.50‡bm	4.50‡bm	....	....	.288s	.384cs	14.70f
Toronto	4 40ui	3.84t	4 40ui	2.40	2.40	2.05	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	.26	.30ss	13.75g

‡ Delivered. * Prices incl. dealers discount except as noted. # Add 4% sales tax. ## Add 2% intrastate sales tax. R Revised. † Plus 3% Mun & Prov tax.

CEMENT: °a Less 10¢ disc. 15 days. °b Less 2% disc. 15 days. °c Less 10¢ disc. 10 days. °d 10¢ disc. 20 days. °e Truckload lots. °f Fob mill, add $14.58 to $21.31 per car switching charges. °g fob mill + freight. °h LCL. °i Less 2% disc. 10 days. °j Truck lots. fob yard. °k 100 bag lots °l over 150 sacks. °m Sold in bags only. °n Less 5% disc. 30 days. °o Plus 50¢ for 1st del. °p 5-8 ton truckload. °q F.o.b. mill °s In bags & bbl. Only °t min. 7 tons °u 200-bag lots

SAND, GRAVEL, STONE & SLAG: °a Truck lots. °b Per cu. yd. °c 5 tons up. °d Less 5¢ disc. 10 days. °e Less 2% disc. 10th. °f Less 2% disc. 15th. °g Less 8% for cash. °h Less than 5 tons. °i F.o.b. quarry. °k Barge lots anl. °l F.o.b. scow Hudson river. °m Less 2% for cash. °n F.o.b. cars. °o F.o.b. yard. °r less 5% disc. 15th. °s Less 2% disc. 10 days. °t Less 10¢ disc. 10 days. °u Less 5¢ disc. 10 days. °v Less 2% disc. 15 days. °w Less 10¢ disc. 15 days. °x Incl. 35¢ switch. charge. °y F.o.b. dock. °z 5-8 tons. °aa Less 5% disc. 15 days. °bb Less 2% 25th of month °cc F.o.b. plant ci °dd F.o.b. plant tl

CONCRETE BLOCK: °a Cinder. °b Waylite. °c Haydite. °d Celocrete, °e 8¼ x 8 x 12 in. °f 8 x 4 x 16. °g F.o.b. truck at job. °i F.o.b. plant San Rafael. °m F.o.b. yard. °n 8 x 8 x 16. °o Less 2% disc. 10 days. °p Less 2% disc. 10th. °q Less 8% disc. 10th. °r Less 2% disc. 15 days. °s Less 2% disc. cash. °t Siporex, 7 x 8 x 16. °u Less 8% disc. 10 days. °v Less 12% disc. 15th. °w Made to order.

READY MIXED CONCRETE: °a 6 cu yd or over del. Man. °b 25 cu yds or more °c 10-100 cy. °d 1-3 mi. zone add 15¢ for ea. add'l 1-mi. zone. °e 3,000 lb comp. °f 2,500 lb. comp., less 5% disc. 30 days. °g Less 25¢ disc. 15 days. °h Less 50¢ for cash. °i 8% off for cash. °j 2% off for cash. °k Federal tax included. Add 8% mun. & prov. tax. °l 1:2½:3½ base price. °m F.o.b. yard. °n Plus escalator clause. °o Less 2% disc. 15 days. °p Less 50¢ disc. 15 days. °q Less 2% disc. 10 days. Add 50¢ per zone. °r 2000 wgt. °s Less 5% disc. 10 days. °t Incl. 50¢ heating. °u Less 2% disc. 15th. °v Sat. del.+50¢. °w 10-100 cy. °x Del in zone 20-B. °y less 25¢, 10 days. °z less 1% in 30 days. °aa 6 bag mix

CURRENT MAXIMUM PRICES AT CEMENT MILLS: Subject to 10¢ discount, 15 days. For paper bags add 50¢ per bbl., not refundable. *Prices guaranteed through December 31, 1960*

	Bulk		Bulk		Bulk		Bulk		Bulk
Richard City, Tenn	$3.55	Buffington, Ind	$3.55	Steelton, Minn	$3.60	Muskegon, Mich	$3.55	Toledo, O	$3.60
Clinchfield, Ga	3.55	Independence, Kan	3.35	Leeds, Ala	3.40	Saginaw, Mich	3.60	Milwaukee, Wis	3.50
Kingsport, Tenn	3.55	Hannibal, Mo	3.50	Duluth, Minn	3.60	Wyandotte, Mich	3.60	Green Bay, Wis	3.50
West Des Moines, Iowa	3.60	Northampton, Pa	3.50	Hudson, N. Y	3.50	Buffalo, N. Y	3.55	Ironton, O	3.55
Nazareth, Pa	3.50	Universal, Pa	3.60	Alpena, Mich	3.50	Oswego, N. Y	3.60	Montreal, Can	2.81
Bath, Pa	3.50	Waco, Tex. (+ 10¢ tax)	3.35	Detroit, Mich	3.60	Cleveland, O	3.65	W. Winfield, Pa	3.60
Lesley, Pa	3.50	Giant, S. C	3.55	Howes Cave, N. Y	3.50	Alsen, N. Y	3.50	Security, Md	3.50

PAVING BRICK, BLOCK, ASPHALT, ROAD OILS—F. O. B. CITY

	PAVING BRICK AND BLOCK			PAVING ASPHALT Per ton, less than 80 penetration		ASPHALT BINDERS—FLUXES Per gal., 80-300 penetration		CUTBACK ASPHALT MC per ton		ROAD OIL Per gal.	ASPHALT EMULSION RSI Per gal.	
	Granite Per M lots of 50,000 4x4x8 in.	Brick per M 3x4x8½ in. carload lots	Wood per sq. yd. 3½ in. 18-lb. treat	Tank car	Drums	Tank car	Drums	Tank car	Drums	Tank car	Tank car	Drums
Atlanta	e	e	e	$28.70PS	$45.00PS	$0.2740PS	$0.2358	$0.1308wS	$0.245wS	$0.1258S	$0.1328S	$0.245
Baltimore	e	e	e	21.00i	.....	.09‡i	0.18‡	.09‡wE	.18‡wE	.095	.10‡	0.19‡
Birmingham	.....	66.00i	.....	25.12	25.00O	.1069	0.1093O	.1162wE	.1188Ow	.1006O	.1069	0.10930
Boston	.....	.....	.....	22.00apS	46.00apS	22.00asS	46.00asS	.105awF	.22awF	.14aOR	.15OR	.....
Chicago	150.00‡a	95.00‡ab	3.95/4.00‡aj	22.00b	32.00b	20.40bs	30.40bs	.10bwH	.18bwH	.08‡b	.....	.....
Cincinnati	.....	.....	.....	26.00SU	.....	26.00ff	.....	.1165wSU	.....	.109	.1265	.....
Cleveland	.....	89.50‡d	6.30	26.00tA	.....	26.00twA	.....	.1165twAF	.....	.....	.1265tA	.21A
Dallas	e	40/80p	e	26.90	46.35	.1138	.1983	30.50	52.45	.1100	.1138	.1983
Denver	.....	62.00e	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Detroit	.....	114.00	.....	31.50R	.....	32.20wR	.....	30.24wIR	.....	27.84	.....	.24
Kansas City	e	e	e	18.75cl	.....	18.75cl	.....	.0875J	.....	.0675c	0.10	.....
Los Angeles‡	e	e	e	19.00dmz	.....	19.00dwz	.....	20.50dKz	.....	19.50daa	21.40‡Xs	.1842‡Xs
Minneapolis	.....	.....	3.73k	23.70	.....	23.70r	.....	.105w	.....	0.95	.1375kb	.....
Montreal	e	e	e	30.50n	43.60n	.167n	.211n	17.80nuE	22.20nuE	.155n	.242n	.27nX
New Orleans	e	e	e	20.00e	.....	20.00ev	.....	.095ew	.....	.085eB	.095eBL	.1905eB
New York	.....	.....	3.70f	20.99mO	42.95mO	20.99wO	42.94wO	9.61uF	19.01uF	.....	9.68u	19.11u
Philadelphia	.....	.....	.....	21US	.....	21US	.....	.095UwS	.....	.095US	.....	.....
Pittsburgh	60.00k	95.00n	6.35n	31.20is	.....	31.20isr	.....	.1403IS	.....	.142S	.1403i	.....
St. Louis‡‡	.....	.....	.....	19.74f	21.65	.1825f	.1825	.09fw	.092fw	0.165f	.1825O	.30R
San Francisco	.....	70.00	.....	22.50qdd	41.00qdd	22.50qkvdd	40.00qkvdd	22.50qNdd	46.50qNdd	23.25qwWdd	23.50qwXdd	.2025qXdd
Seattle	.....	.....	.....	24.00s	47.00h	33.00sec	38.50	35.50KE	.....	28.75hwY	25.80hwX	49.80hrsX
Toronto	.....	120.00f‡	4.50f	38.90	59.01ee	0.2075	0.2773ee	0.222w	0.2704wee	0.233	0.212Zee	.2852ee

‡ Delivered. # Add 4% sales tax. ## Add 2% intrastate sales tax. R Revised.

PAVING BRICK & BLOCK: °a Less 2% disc. 10th. °b 3 x 3¼ x 8. °c 2¼ x 8¼ x 4. °d Truckload lots. °e Not used. °f 2" interior 6 lb tr. °g Less $1/Mdisc. 15th. °h 2" tr, 8 lb. °i 3 x 3½ x 8½. °j 2½", 6 lb. tr. °k Used. °l Redshale. °m Pine: ask $8.57. °n Truck del. °o Less $1/M disc. 15 days. °p Used: $40: new: $90.

ASPHALTS: °a F.o.b. refinery, Everett, Mass. °b F.o.b. refinery, Lockport, Ill. °c F.o.b. Sugar Creek, Mo. °d F.o.b. refinery, El Segundo. °e F.o.b. Baton Rouge. °f F.o.b. Hartford, Ill. °g F.o.b. refinery, Richmond, Calif. °h F.o.b. Martinez. °i F.o.b. refinery, Baltimore. °j F.o.b. refinery, Inglewood, Calif. °k 50-110 penetr. °l Less than 100 penetr. °m 40/300 penetr. °n F.o.b. refinery, Montreal. Fed. tax included; add 8% for mun. & prov. °o Drums not avail. Shipped in steel bbl. °p 60/70 penetr. °r In customer's drums. °s Shipped in drums, per drum. °t 150/300 penetr. °u Per 100 gal. °v Per ton. °w Per gal. °x Also tank trucks °y F.o.b. Oakland. °z F.o.b. Edmonds. °A F.o.b. refinery, Cleveland. °B F.o.b. Destrehan, La. °E RC. °F Also RC. °G Also MS °H RC 0-5 incl. °I MC 4. °J MC, RC $0.095. °K MC 3, 4, & 5. °L MS. °M MC 1-5, RC 1-5, $0.0916. °N MC 3. °O Truck-load. °P F.o.b. refinery, Atlanta. °Q F.o.b. Eldorado, Ark. °R Delivered within 50 mi. °S Less 2% disc. 10 days, net 30. °T Less 1% disc. 10 days. °U F.o.b. refinery. °V Less 2% disc. 15 days. °W SC 2. °X RS 1. °Y SC 1. °Z Incl. 10% Sales Tax. °aa SC 3, 4, & 5. °bb RS 3. °cc In used drums. °dd ess disc of $1 ton. ee 48 Imp. gal. drums °ff 60-150 penetration

See following ENR issues for OTHER PRICES:

- Wood Products, Glass, Explosives, Chemicals: Last, Nov. 24; Next, Dec. 15.
- Clay Products, Lime, Plaster, Paint, Roofing: Last, Dec. 1; Next, Dec. 22.
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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Franchi Constr. Co., Inc.**, 216 Webster St., Newton, Mass., CA **$2,157,620**, addnl. facilities BOMARC launcher shelters, technical bldgs. and utilities extension, Otis Air Force Base, FALMOUTH, MASS. U. S. Eng., 424 Trapelo Rd., Waltham, Mass. Bids Oct. 19. CD 10/24, under LB.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Comr., 170 Douglas St., Hartford, Bids opened 11/28,

Conn.—**Enfield Road Constr. Co., Inc.**, P. O. Box 368, Thompsonville, Conn., LB **$2,068,944**, (9 bidders), 15,800 ft. hot b. conc. pavement on relocation of Rte. 12, and construction of 5 bridges. Projs. 68-93, Federal Aid Proj. F-159(2), Killingly;

Conn.—**D. V. Frione & Co., Inc.**, 87 Foxon St., New Haven, Conn., LB **$1,917,413**, (12 bidders), 2,779 lin. ft., 3½ in. hot b. conc. pavement on extension of Danielson connector, Rte 12, incl. 4 bridges, 3,000 lin. ft. 2½ in. hot b. concrete pavement on widening Rte US 6, Projs. 68-70 and 68-97, Federal Aid Projs. F-159(1) and F-8(7), Killingly. CD 11/25.

▲† **Psaty & Fuhrman, Inc.**, 369 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y., CA **$4,030,000**, Item 1, 3 story, penthouse, H-type, 197 x 417 ft. anti-submarines research bldg., underwater sound laboratory, Fort Trumbull, NEW LONDON, CONN. Dist. Pub. Wks. Office, Third Naval Dist., Federal Office Bldg., 90 Church St., New York, N. Y. Bids Oct. 20. CD 10/25, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Palmet Tarinelli Constr, Co., Inc.**, 144 Island Brook Ave., Bridgeport, Conn., Owner Builds, **$2,520,000**, 304 units, Garden APARTMENTS, Reservoir Ave., BRIDGEPORT, CONN. CD 11/2.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS

BRIDGES

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December 14 Delaware, New Jersey
December 16 Pennsylvania December 22 New Jersey

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **N. Y., New York**—SUPERSTRUCTURE, TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—BA 12/16—New York Telephone Co., 140 West St., New York 7, superstructure for 21 story Telephone Exchange and Office, 789-813 Tenth Ave. Total cost $13,000,000. CD 3/24.

▲ **Pa., Phila.**—MEDICAL RESEARCH—BA 12/22—Temple University, Broad and Berks St., medical research bldg. $8,000,000. Nolen & Swinburne, 226 S. 16th St., archts. Severud, Elstad, Krueger Assocs., 415 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y., engrs. CD 3/18.

† **Pa., Phila.**—POST OFFICE REMODELING, etc.—BA 1/10—General Services Admin., 250 Hudson St., New York, N. Y., post office and court addn., extension, remodeling, $7,000,000. Ballinger Co. & Harry Sternfeld, 1625 Race St., Phila., Pa., archts. CD 9/16.

▲ **N. Y., Brookhaven** — VISITING SCIENTIST QUARTERS—BA On Or About 1/17—U. S. Atomic Energy Comm., Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, 4 story, concrete block visiting scientist quarters bldg. to contain 16 individual housing units, etc., Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton. Plans deposit $25. Carl B. Stoye, 52 Main St., Sayville, archt. CD 10/26/55.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **NEW YORK** — State Hy. Dpt., State Office Bldg., Albany,

Brunalli Constr. Co., 109 Summer St., Southington, Conn., CA **$4,939,509**, c. conc. pavt. 1.49 mi. (4.24 mi. acc.) Hy. RR gr. sep. comp. I-beam 5 sp. 300.3 ft. total, repairs to exist. bridge over D. L. & W. R.R., H. G. S. comp. I-beam 4 sp. 207.5 bridge-welded pl. gird. etc. Vestal-Vestal Center-Choconut SH 8331 Vestal, SH 420 Union Village, Main and Bridge Sts., SH 5412 Endicott, SH 174, Rtes. 26 and 17C, FARC 60-177, Proj. U-UG-482(3), Broome Co. CD 10/21, under LB.

▲ **The Forest Co.**, R. D. 1, Mechanisburg, Pa., CA **$2,848,545**, imprv. Seaside Blvd., Winfield St. to Fort Wadsworth, Contr. 2, Richmond Boro, NEW YORK. President Richmond Boro, Boro Hall, St. George, S. I., N. Y. Bids July 25, awarded Nov. 16. CD 7/29, under LB.

▲ **Hendrickson Bros., Inc.**, 63 No. Central Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y., LB **$3,672,538**, (4 bidders), Contr. 1002-2-AW-3, lateral sewers, Albertson, Searingtown and vicinity Albertson, MINEOLA, N. Y. County of Nassau, Old County Court House, Franklin Ave., Mineola, N. Y., Bids Nov. 29. CD 11/3.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—State Hy. Dpt., Harrisburg, Bids opened 11/18,

Glasgow, Inc., Willow Grove Ave. and Limeklin Pike, Glenside, Pa. LB **$2,265,762**, (9 bidders), divided hy rein-con. pvt. 24 ft. wide, each side of earh median variable in width, 5.58 mi., Traffic Rte. 3, between West Chester and Newtown Square, 5 bridges, Chester and Delaware Counties. (Correction-low bidder). CD 11/23, under LB.

▲ **MARYLAND**—State Rds. Comn., 300 W. Preston St., Baltimore, Zone 3,

Williams Constr. Co., Golden Ring Rd. and Pulaski Hy., Baltimore, Md., CA **$3,993,706**, grade, drain, surf. 4.33 mi. Baltimore Beltway Rte. 40 to Liberty Rd., incl. 4 four span steel beam bridges, 1-3 span bridge, 5 rein.-con. box culverts, Baltimore Co. Bids Oct. 25. CD 10/27, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Caristo Constr. Corp.**, 26 Court St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y., CA **$3,340,000**, combination PUBLIC SCHOOL 79, Madison Ave. and E. 117 St., and PUBLIC SCHOOL 181, Essex, Norfolk and Stanton Sts., Manhattan Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. Deputy Supt. Schools, Bureau Constr., 4 Floor, 42-15 Crescent St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. Bids Nov. 4, awarded Nov. 25. CD 11/10, under LB.

▲ **M. S. Kelliher Co.**, 10 Tremont St., Boston, Mass., LB **$2,777,000**, (4 bidders), general contract, Stage II, Midtown Plaza UNDERGROUND GARAGE, ROCHESTER, N. Y. City, City Hall, Rm. 36, 20 South Fitzhugh St., Rochester, 14, N. Y. Bids Nov. 23. CD 11/21;
Horacek-Hayden, Inc., 250 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester, N. Y., LB **$184,256**, (2 bidders), electrical work for Underground Garage (Rochester, N. Y.);
Howe & Bassett Co., Inc., 840 University Ave., Rochester, N. Y., LB **$203,800**, (2 bidders), heating and ventilating Underground Garage (Rochester, N. Y.).

▲ **E. I. duPont deNemours & Co.**, duPont & Nemours Bldg., Wilmington, Del., Owner Builds, PLANT to produce Teslar for surfacing building siding, TONAWANDA, N. Y.

▲ **Caristo Constr. Corp.**, 26 Court St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y., CA **$1,630,000**, general contract PUBLIC SCHOOL 154, Alexander Ave. between E. 136 St. and Major Deegan Blvd., Bronx Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. Deputy Supt. Schools, Bureau Constr., 4 Floor, 42-15 Crescent St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. Bids Nov. 3, awarded Nov. 25. CD 11/9, under LB.

▲ **George Wicks, Willowbrook Rd.**, Holmdel, N. J., Owner Builds, **$3,500,000**, 125 HOUSES off Rte. 520, HOLMDEL, N. J. Wm. Chirgotis, 80 Morris Ave., Springfield, N. J., and Herman York, 90-04 161 St., Jamaica 32, N. Y., archts. CD 5/25.

▲ **George A. Fuller Co.**, 597 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y., CA Est. **$5,000,000**, DEPARTMENT STORE, PARAMUS, N. J. Alexander's 225 W. 34 St., New York 18, N Y. Lathrop Douglass, 518 5 Ave., New York 18, N. Y., archt. Sidney Barbanel, 29-46 Northern Blvd., Long Island City 1, N. Y., mechanical engr. Severud-Elstad & Krueger, 415 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y., structural engrs. Awarded Nov. 15. CD 9/7.

▲ **R. M. Shoemaker Co.**, 245 S. 24th St., Phila., Pa., CA **$16,000,000**, 776 unit APARTMENT, 25th St. and Fairmount Ave., PHILA., PA. 2401 Pennsylvania Ave. Corp., Rm. 2100, Market St. National Bank Bldg., Phila., Pa. CD 2/17.

▲ **Carl M. Freeman**, 1111 Fidler Lane, Silver Spring, Md., Owner Builds, **$3,000,000**, 301 units garden type APARTMENTS, Chesapeake and Bay Ridge Aves., ANNAPOLIS, MD.

▲ **Cafritz Constr. Co.**, 1625 Eye St. N. W., Wash., D. C., CA **$2,380,000**, Lincoln Branch BANK, 17th and H Sts. N. W., WASH., D. C. Riggs National Bank, 1530 Pennsylvania Ave, N. W. Wash., D. C., CD 11/23, under LB.

SOUTH

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS

BRIDGES

December 15 Florida December 16 Alabama, Kentucky

STREETS AND ROADS

December 13 South Carolina, West Virginia
December 16 Alabama, Kentucky

▲† **Florida**—BA About 12/21—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 970, Jacksonville, modifying and deepening entrance channel and turning basin, Broward Co. at adjoining city limits of Fort Lauderdale and Hollywood, on lower east coast of Florida, CIVENG-08-123-61-34. $4,000,000. CD 9/21.

▲ **Ky., Lexington** — BA 1/10 — City, Municipal Bldg., sewage treatment plant expansion to treat hydraulic flow of 12,000,000 gal. per day. $3,000,000. Plans deposit $100. J. Stephen Watkins, 446 E. High St., engr. CD 10/10.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **S. C., Greenwood**—PLANT—BA 12/15—Parke, Davis & Co., Joseph Campau Ave. at River, Detroit, Mich. (selected list of bidders), surgical gauze mfg. plant, $5,000,000. Lockwood Greene Engineers, Inc., 1020 Montgomery Bldg., Spartanburg, archt. CD 3/15.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **ALABAMA**—State Hy. Dpt., Montgomery, Zone 4, Bids opened 11/18,

Ala.—**Southern Roadbuilders, Inc.**, 2312 Ada Ramp Waldn Rd., Augusta, Ga., LB **$2,347,564**, base and conc. paving, 10.105 mi. from U. S. 11 near Fort Payne NE to Rodgers on Inter Rte 59, DeKalb Co.;

Ala.—**Claussen-Lawrence Constr. Co.**, 1394 Gwinnett St., Augusta, Ga., LB **$1,607,262**, base and conc. paving 6.546 mi. from Rodgers Rd. NE to Georgia state line in Inter Rte 59, DeKalb Co.;

Ala.—**Hewitt Contr. Co.**, 1509 3rd Ave., Columbus, Ga., LB **$504,594**, grading, bit. paving 1.815 mi. US 431 in Eufaula, Barbour Co.;

Ala.—**George A. Dozier**, 4144 Wares Fy Rd., Montgomery, Ala., LB **$1,982,938**, base and bit. paving, 3.291 mi. from US 90 N. to Old Shell Rd. on Inter Rte 65, Mobile Co. CD 10/7.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Robert Chuckrow Constr. Co.**, 60 E. 42 St., New York 17, N. Y., Owner Builds, **$3,250,000**, 126 units, 15 story cooperative APARTMENT, CLEARWATER, FLA. C. Dale Dykema Assocs., 1000 58th St. N., St. Petersburg, Fla., archts.-engrs.

▲ **Taylor Constr. Co.**, 2875 N.W. 42nd Ave., Miami, Fla., LB **$15,483,000** Alternate 1, LB **$13,921,000** Alternate 2, TRADE & CULTURAL CENTER, incl. dredging, fill, bulkhead, paving, water and sewer lines, exhibition building, MIAMI, FLA. Inter-American Center Auth., Miami International Airport, Miami, Fla. CD 10/31, under Earthwork, etc.

▲ **Bechtel Corp.**, 220 Bush St., San Francisco, Calif., CA Total cost **$39,000,000**, Big Sand STEAM-ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT near Louisa, KENTUCKY.

PROJECTS COVERED

By Size

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger: water supply, earthwork, waterways $53,000; other public works $88,000; Industrial buildings $110,000; other buildings $400,000. Also Foreign projects of $1,000,000 and more in size of Interest to American contractors.

By Regions & Classes of Construction

(In order of Listing)

BIDS ASKED
LOW BIDDERS
CONTRACTS AWARDED
New England
Middle Atlantic
South
Middle West
West of Mississippi
Far West

PROPOSED WORK
Water Supply
Sewers, Waste Disposal
Bridges
Streets & Roads
Earthwork, Waterways
Public Buildings
Mass Housing
Commercial Buildings
Industrial Buildings
Unclassified

In These Stages

PROPOSED WORK: Before and including appointment of engineers or architects.
BIDS ASKED: BA (new announcements only). For full calendar, see also preceding issues.

SOON LETS CONTRACT: SLC

LOW BIDDERS: LB On jobs below $500,000 in value all low bidder news will be the final reports published on the projects involved except where award is not made to the low bidder. In this case, a supplementary contract award report will be published.

CONTRACTS AWARDED: CA Except awards to low bidders previously reported in low bidder stage.

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Symbols and Abbreviations Include:

† **Federal Government**
▲ **Project of $1,000,000 or over.**
ENR Engineering News-Record
CD Construction Daily
For additional reports see Construction Daily.

Kentucky Power Co., 15 St. and Carter Ave., Ashland, Ky. American Electric Power Corp., 2 Broadway, New York 8, N. Y., engrs. CD 8/2, under CA.

▲ **Huber, Hunt & Nichols, Inc.,** 2450 Stibbs Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., CA Est. $3,500,000, 4 story, 150,000 sq. ft. brick OFFICE, OWENSBORO, KY. Texas Gas Transmission Co., 3 and Locust Sts., Owensboro, Ky. Bids Nov. 15. CD 11/17.

MIDDLE WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS

BRIDGES

December 15 Ohio December 29 Wisconsin & Minnesota

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—HOMES—BA 12/15—Chicago Housing Auth., 608 S. Dearborn St., CHA Proj. Ill. 2-30, Stage II, two 16 story, elevator type apartments, underground utilities, site imprvs., W. Scott St., N. Ogden Ave., N. Clybourn Ave. and N. Larrabee St. Extended date. Pace Assocs., 53 W. Jackson Blvd., Zone 4, archts.-engrs. CD 11/10.

▲ **Ill., Springfield**—MUSEUM—BA 12/20—State, Capitol Bldg., state museum, $2,350,000. J. D. Jarvis, Rm. 200, State Armory, state archt. CD 4/27/59.

▲ **O., Cincinnati**—SCHOOL—BA 12/21—Bd. Educ., 608 McMillan St., Eden Junior High School, $1,800,000. Plans deposit $50. Cordes, Pressler & Houck & Assocs., archts., and Al Buenger, engr., both 4939 Paddock St. CD 3/9/59.

▲ **Ill., Rockford**—Hospital—BA 1/8—St. Anthony's Hospital, 1411 E. State St., hospital. $4,500,000. Walter Butler Co., Minnesota Bldg., St. Paul 1, Minn., archt.-engr. CD 10/10.

BUILDINGS—SLC

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—EXHIBITION HALL—Conrad Hilton Hotel, 720 S. Michigan Ave., soon lets contract exhibition hall, 741 S. Wabash Ave., $2,000,000. Holabird & Root, 180 N. Wabash Ave., Zone 1, archts.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **MICHIGAN**—State Hy. Dpt., 732 Mason Bldg., Lansing,

L. W. Edison Co., 3134 Midland Dr. S.E., Grand Rapids, Mich., CA **$1,553,367,** 1.052 mi. dual 36 ft. concrete pavt. and two bridge structures on U. S. 131, Grand Rapids, Kent Co.; CA **$1,941,406,** 0.732 mi. dual 36 ft. concrete pavt. and two bridge structures on U. S. 131 relocation, Grand Rapids, Kent Co. Bids Nov. 2, awarded Nov. 15. CD 11/9, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Jack Seyferth,** 5049 Crookshanks St., Cincinnati, O., CA first section MOTEL addn., CINCINNATI, O. Carrousel Motel, Inc., Reading Rd., Cincinnati, O. Bids Nov. 2. CD 10/20.

▲ **Taylor & Gaskin, Inc.,** 6440 Mack Ave., Detroit, Mich. CA, steel and erection contract for 214,000 sq. ft. steel, brick, aluminum BODY MFG. PLANT addn., HAMILTON, O. Fisher Body Div., General Motors Corp., General Motors Bldg., Detroit, Mich. CD 11/30.

▲ **Carl E. Erickson Co.,** 4657 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago, Ill., CA **$6,000,000,** 27 story, 62 x 200 ft. rein.-con. APARTMENTS, 215 E. Chicago Ave., CHICAGO, ILL. George S. Lurie, 120 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. CD 3/24.

▲ **Gust K. Newberg Constr. Co.,** 2040 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill., CA **$7,186,000,** 631 unit Robert R. Taylor HOMES, Housing Proj. 2-37, Stage I, CHICAGO, ILL. Chicago Housing Authority, 608 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 5, Ill. Bids Nov. 8, awarded Nov. 21. CD 11/10, under LB.

▲ **S. N. Nielsen Co.,** 3059 W. Augusta St., Chicago, Ill., LB **$5,897,000** (4 bidders), three buildings, WASHINGTON PARK HOMES, Proj. 2-34, CHICAGO, ILL. Chicago Housing Auth., 608 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. Bids Nov. 29. CD 10/7.
Paschen Contractors, Inc., 2739 N. Elston St., Chicago, Ill., LB **$7,890,000** (4 bidders), four buildings WASHINGTON PARK HOMES, Proj. 2-34 (Chicago, Ill.).

▲ **Felmley Dickerson Co.,** 311 E. Lafayette St., Bloomington, Ill., LB **$2,657,000,** DORMITORY and DINING HALL, Northern University, DE KALB, ILL. State Teachers College, State Office Bldg., Springfield, Ill. Bids Nov. 3. CD 9/29.

▲ **George A. Fuller Co.,** 111 W. Washington St., Chicago, Ill., and **Turner Constr. Co.,** 105 W. Adams St., Chicago, Ill., CA **$18,000,000,** SHOPPING CENTER, incl. Montgomery Ward & Co., Carson, Pirie & Scott Wieboldt Stores, Inc., MT. PROSPECT, ILL. Randhurst Shopping Center, corner Rand Rd. and Elmhurst Rd., Mt. Prospect, Ill. CD 5/27.

MISSISSIPPI TO ROCKIES

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS

BRIDGES

December 13 Iowa December 14 Arkansas, Wyoming December 15, 20, 22 Kansas December 16 New Mexico December 16 North Dakota December 16 North Dakota & Minnesota

December 20 Oklahoma December 29 South Dakota

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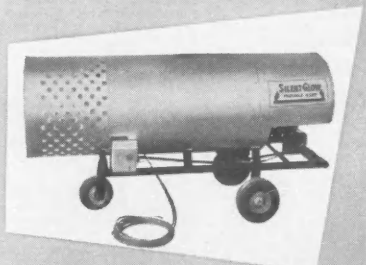

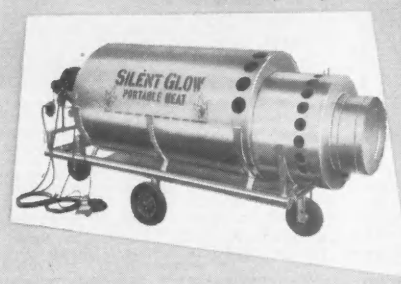

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STREETS AND ROADS

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▲ **Okla., Oklahoma City**—BA 12/15—Oklahoma City Municipal Imprvt. Authority, Municipal Bldg., Atoka Water Proj., incl. 98 mi. 48 or 60 in. concrete pressure pipe, pump stations, reservoir, filter plant, and connecting pipe lines. $56,000,000. Plans deposit $100. C. E. Bretz, 1916 N. Broadway, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Metcalf & Eddy, 1360 Statler Bldg., Boston, Mass., consult. engrs. Former contract cancelled. CD 4/19, under CA.

▲† **Arkansas**—BA 12/29—U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, design, manufacture, test and deliver four 51,800 hp. Kaplan type turbines, with draft tube liner, pit liner, draft tube pier nosings, appurtenant parts, and spar parts, Dardanelle Dam, CIVENG-03-050-61-32, Pope Co. $6,000,000. Bids Aug. 30 rejected. CD 9/2, under LB.

▲† **Oklahoma**—BA About 1/10—U. S. Eng., Box 61, Tulsa, surf., turfing State Hy. 51, Keystone Reservoir, ENG-34-066-61-37, $2,000,000. Plans deposit $10. CD 9/30.

▲ **Colo., Colorado Springs**—STADIUM—BA About 3/1—Air Force Academy Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 1838, 40,000 seat rein.-con. stadium, Air Force Academy, $2,000,000. Praeger-Kavanagh-Waterbury, 126 E. 38 St., New York, N. Y., and Gordon Sweet, 119 E. Columbia St., Colorado Springs, Colo., archts. J. F. Jelley, 121 E. Vermijo St., engr. CD 6/6.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Tex., Addicks**—RESEARCH OFFICE—BA 12/14—United Carbon Co., First City National Bank Bldg., Houston (selected list of bidders), 1 and 2 story, 80,000 sq. ft. A/C concrete frame Research Office, near here. $2,500,000. Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, 425 Park Ave., New York, N. Y., archts. Jaros, Baum & Bolles, 730 3rd Ave., and Weiskopf & Pickworth, 230 Park Ave., both of New York, N. Y., engrs. CD 2/23.

▲ **S. D., Rapid City**—ACADEMY, etc.—BA 12/21—Order of St. Benedict, Sturgis, St. Martins Academy and Motherhouse. $2,500,000. Mark Pfaller & Assoc., Inc., 7613 W. State St., Milwaukee, Wis., archt. CD 2/26.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **IOWA**—State Hy. Comn., Ames.
Cameron Joyce & Co., 19 S. 7th St., Keokuk, Iowa, CA **$2,059,692,** c. conc. paving 7.351 mi. Proj. I 29-6 (7)114, Monona Co.; CA **$1,949,946,** c. conc. pavement 6.684 mi. I 29-6(8)122, Monona and Woodbury Counties. Bids Nov. 15. CD 11/18, under LB.

▲ **TEXAS**—State Hy. Comn., Austin,
Tex.—**Dean Word Co.,** Box 330, New Braunfels, Tex., CA **$2,510,150,** grading, strs. base and b. conc. pvt., 7.122 mi. St. Hy. 6, Proj. E 258-9-29, McLennan Co.;
Tex.—**Uvalde Constr. Co.,** Box 10286, Dallas, Tex., CA **$534,230,** grading, storm sewers, and conc. pvt. 0.569 mi., Hy. US 287, Proj. U 3(12), Wichita Co. Bids Nov. 9, awarded Nov. 22. CD 11/14, under LB.

▲ **TEXAS**—State Hy. Comn., Austin,
William Bros. Constr. Co., Inc., Schwope Eng. Co., & Flenniken Constr. Co., Box 15066, Houston, Tex., CA **$2,915,523,** grading, strs., sewers, cem. stab. base and con. pvt. and signals, 2.328 mi. Proj. US 14 (36) & (37), Harris Co. Bids Nov. 10, awarded Nov. 22. CD 11/15, under LB.

▲ **William A. Smith Contg. Co., Inc.,** 1401 Fairfax Traffic Way, Kansas City 15, Kan., LB **$3,477,895,** est. $3,647,000 (13 bidders), Hubbard Creek Dam, Contract No. 1, near Breckenridge, TEXAS. West Central Texas Municipal Water Dist., Commerce Bldg., Abilene, Tex. Bids Nov. 30. CD 10/18.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **M-C Constr. Co.,** 2713 Lakeport, Maryland Heights, Mo., CA Est. over **$3,000,000,** 600 RESIDENCES, Arrow Heights Subdivision, Midland Ave. north of St. Charles Rock Rd., MARYLAND HEIGHTS, MO. Morris Cohen, 2713 Lakeport, Maryland Heights, Mo.

▲ **H. A. Lott Constr. Co.,** P.O. Box 25005, Houston, Tex., LB **$3,069,469** (5 bidders), Juniper Gardens HOUSING, KANSAS CITY, KAN. City Housing Auth., 619 Ann St., Kansas City, Kan. Bids Nov. 29. CD 11/18.

▲ **Geo. A. Fuller Co.,** 940 Gibraltar Life Bldg., Dallas, Tex., CA **$5,497,500,** general contract, HOSPITAL, DALLAS, TEX. Saint Paul's Hospital, 3121 Branch Ct., Dallas, Tex., Grand total $8,817,-173, CD 10/6;
Natkin & Co., 2676 Brenner, Dallas, Tex., CA **$2,564,540,** mech. for hospital, (Dallas, Tex.); **Harmon Elec. Constr. Co.,** 4311 Belmont St., Dallas, Tex., CA **$755,133,** elec. for hospital, (Dallas, Tex.).

▲ **McMillan Home Builders,** 5331 Brookmeade St., Houston, Tex., Owner Builds, **$1,950,000,** 62 DWELLINGS, bordered on South by Buffalo Bayou, HOUSTON, TEX.

▲ **Pace Setter Homes, Inc.,** 6723 Glen Rock St., Houston, Tex., Owner Builds, **$4,262,000,** 180 DWELLINGS, Barkley Square North of Bray's Bayou, HOUSTON, TEX. CD 11/14.

▲ **Tom McGovern & Associates,** 535 Busby St., San Antonio, Tex., CA **$2,250,000,** 100 HOMES, McQUEENEY, TEX. Treasure Island, Inc., 123 Greenhaven St., San Antonio, Tex. CD 11/23.

FAR WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS

STREETS AND ROADS

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▲† **Calif., San Diego**—DREDGING FOR CARRIER BERTH—BA 12/20—11th Naval Dist., 1220 Pacific Hy., San Diego 1, dredging for carrier berth facility, Naval Air Station, North Island, Spec. 25397. $1,000,000-$2,500,000. CD 9/8/58.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—BA 12/21—U. S. Eng., 751 South Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Wilson Canyon and Mansfield St. Channels, Los Angeles River Basin, and debris bases Astoria St. to Pacoima Wash, San Fernando, CIVENG-04-353-61-109. $2,000,000. CD 9/20.

▲† **Wash., Seattle**—ADMINISTRATION and EXHIBIT—BA 1/10—General Services Admin., 909 1st Ave., Century 21 Exposition, administration and exhibit bldgs. for Dpt. Commerce. CD 2/5/60.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Calif., Anaheim** — SCHOOL — BA 12/20 — Anaheim Union High School Dist., 123 North Citron Ave., Savannah High School. $2,081,000. CD 12/1/59.

▲ **Calif., Hanford**—TIRE PLANT—BA 1/10—Armstrong Tire & Rubber Co., 475 Elm St., West Haven, Conn., (selected list bidders) 1,000,000 sq. ft tilt-up rein.-con. tire manufacturing plant. $16,000,000. David H. Horn, 2016 Merced, Fresno, archt. CD 7/19.

BUILDINGS—SLC

▲ **Calif., Sunnyvale**—ENGINEERING and LABORATORY—Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Missile Systems, P.O. Box 504, [illegible] lets contract 124,800 sq. ft., structural steel, frame, tiltup conc. panels, etc. laboratory and engineering plant annex. $4,000,000. CD 11/16.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **J. A. Jones Constr. Co., D. W. Winkelman Co., Inc., Nello-Teer Co.,** 209 W 4th St., Charlotte, N. C. CA **$27,770,000,** construction of Titan II Missile Launch Facilities, Phase 1, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, TUCSON, ARIZ. U. S. Eng., Ballistic Missile Construction Office, 9610 Bellanca Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. CD 4/27.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 1120 N St., Sacramento, Bids opened 11/30,
Grafe-Callahan Constr. Co., 714 West Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., LB **$3,431,743,** (8 bidders), 1,835 ft. long, 26 ft. wide, two lane roadway and 2 ft. safety sidewalks in constr. of Oregon Mountain Tunnel, U. S. Hy. 199, Del Norte Co. CD 10/26.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hy., 1120 N St., Sacramento, Bids opened 11/30,
Fredrickson & Watson Constr. Co. and Lew Jones, 873 81 Ave., Oakland, Calif., LB **$6,946,163,** (11 bidders), 2,800 ft. and 8,800 ft. bridges and 4,710 ft. earthfill between them to provide alignment across Yolo-By-Pass, Hy. 40 west of Sacramento, 5.7 mi. six lane freeway, Yolo Co. CD 10/19.

▲ **F. W. Case Corp., Hood Constr. Co., Hood Northwest Pipeline Co. and Hood Flexible Pipe Cleaning Co.,** Municipal Airport, Chico, Calif., CA **$2,982,965,** South Bay Aqueduct, 13,000 ft. Brushy Creek pipe line 10,-000 ft. Dyer Canal, 12,000 ft. Altamont pipe line and 10,000 ft. section Livermore Valley Canal, units of Feather River Proj. and California Water Plan, Alameda Co., CALIFORNIA. State Dpt. Water Resources, 1120 N St., Sacramento, Calif. CD 10/24, under LB.

▲ **Connolly Pacific Co., Grafe-Calahan Constr. Co., Brayer Electric Co. & Chas. J. Harney, Inc.,** 575 Berry St., San Francisco, Calif., CA **$10,378,332,** third two-lane 3,371 ft. long, 28 ft. roadway 4 ft. sidewalk tunnel, Sign Rte. 24 through Berkeley Hills at Caldecott Tunnel at east city limit of Oakland, Alameda Co., CALIFORNIA. State Div. Hys., 1120 N St., Sacramento, Calif. Bids Nov. 16, awarded Nov. 25. CD 11/21, under LB.

▲ **American Pipe & Constr. Co.,** Box 630, Hayward, Calif., CA **$5,293,412,** 4 mi. 9 ft. diam. Lafayette Aqueduct No. 2, incl. six tunnels with total length of 1.2 mi., East Bay Municipal Utility District, OAKLAND, CALIF. East Bay Municipal Utility Dist., 2130 Adeline St., Oakland, Calif. CD 1/22/59.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Branagh, Inc.,** 42 LaSalle Ave., Piedmont, Calif., CA **$3,871,000** MARRIED STUDENTS HOUSING, Gill Tract for University of California Campus, Berkeley, ALBANY, CALIF. Regents of University of California, Office of Archts. & Engrs., 2 Barrow Lane, Berkeley, Calif. Public Structures, Inc., Wurster, Bernardi & Emmons, 202 Green St., San Francisco, Calif., archts. Wm. B. Gilbert & Assoc., 150 Green St., San Francisco, Calif., engrs. Awarded Nov. 21. CD 1/2/58, under Calif., Berkeley.

▲ **Brightwood Constr. Co.,** 8929 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., CA **$2,636,180,** 261 DWELLINGS, Tracts 23894, 23896, 23897, 23898, 23899, GRANADA HILLS, CALIF. Vista Park Homes, Inc., 8929 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif.

▲ **J. G. Watts Constr. Co.,** 672 South Lafayette Park Pl., Los Angeles, Calif., LB **$5,614,520** (6 bidders), 5 story, 292,000 sq. ft., 5,000 STUDENT CLASSROOM, BLDG. No. 1, Los Angeles State College, W.O. 4304GC-26, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. State Div. Architecture, 1100 South Grand Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Nov. 23. CD 10/21.

▲ **Elmwood, Inc.,** P. O. Box 187, Danville, Calif., Owner Builds, **$2,165,100,** 184 DWELLINGS, PLEASANTON, CALIF.

▲ **M & K Corp.,** 519 California St., San Francisco, Calif., LB **$4,032,000,** (6 bidders), 3 story, bsmnt., rein.-con. Southeast SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Mansell and Somerset Sts., SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. City and San Francisco County, Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall, San Francisco, Calif. Gardner A. Dailey, 442 Post St., San Francisco, Calif., archt. CD 1/16/57.

▲† **Gerston Constr. Co.,** 8530 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., LB **$9,270,000,** 600 unit Capehart HOUSING, incl. utilities, sewage, etc. Proj. IFB 61-1, TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIF. Base Procurement Office, Cannon Dr., Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Angus McSweeney, Inc., 2960 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, Calif., archt.-engr. Bids Nov. 16. CD 11/7.

▲ **Nordic Constr. Co.,** 685 Ahua St., Honolulu, Hawaii CA **$2,669,000,** 17 story, 126 unit COOPERATIVE APARTMENT, resident parking, pool, HONOLULU, HAWAII. Seaside Tower Development Inc., 436 Nohonani St., Honolulu, Hawaii. Edwin L. Bauer, 1521 South King St., Honolulu, Hawaii, archt. Awarded Nov. 25.

CANADA

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Man., Winnipeg** — ADMINISTRATION — BA 12/20—Manitoba Telephone System, 166 Portage Ave. E., 6 story administration bldg. $4,000,000. Plans deposit $100. Smith, Carter, Searle & Assocs., 65 Dewdney Ave., archts. CD 4/20.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **Commonwealth Constr. Co., Ltd.,** 300 Royal Bank Bldg., Winnipeg, Man., LB **$9,061,382,** (14 bidders), Air Terminal bldg., Winnipeg International Airport, WINNIPEG, MAN. Dpt. Transport, Hunter Bldg., Ottawa, Ont. Bids Nov. 25. CD 11/9.

▲ **QUEBEC**—Dpt. P. Wks., Parliament Bldgs., Quebec City,
Dufresne Engineering Co., Ltd., 1832 Pie IX Blvd., Montreal, Que., CA **$2,308,754,** 1,900 ft. Honore Mercier Bridge 27 ft. wide over St. Lawrence River between LaSalle and Caughnawaga, Ville LaSalle. Bids Sept. 29, awarded Nov. 22. CD 10/21 under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Christensen & MacDonald Ltd.,** 612 Tegler Bldg., Edmonton, Alta., CA **$9,249,429,** ACTIVE TREATMENT BLDG., 102nd St. at Kingsway Ave. Royal Alexandra Hospital Bd., EDMONTON, ALTA. City, City Hall, Edmonton, Alta. Bids Oct. 26. CD 11/10, under LB.

▲ **Ain & Zakuta Ltd.,** 6910 Wiseman Ave., Montreal, Que., CA Est. **$2,500,000,** SHOPPING CENTRE, MONTREAL, QUE. Northview Shopping Centre, corner de Salaberry St. and Laurentian Autoroute, c/o Maxwell Cummings & Sons 1390 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, Que. Ian Martin & Victor Prus, 4693 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, Que., archts. Backler & Horvath, 5253 Decarie Blvd., Montreal, Que., engrs.

▲ **Robert McAlpine Ltd.,** 310 Victoria Ave., Montreal, Que., CA **$3,500,000,** BANK and OFFICE reconstr., extension, 437 St. James St. W., MONTREAL, QUE. Bank of Nova Scotia, 44 King St. W., Toronto, Ont. Bids Sept. 30. CD 10/20, under LB.

▲ **David Caplan Constr. Ltd.,** 5174 Cote des Neiges Rd., Montreal, Que., CA Est. **$3,000,000,** 1 story, concrete, brick, stone HOUSING near main road, VAUDREUIL, QUE. Vaudreuil Housing Co., c/o contractor.

PUERTO RICO

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Hamilton Corp.,** 800 Labra St., Santurce, Puerto Rico, Owner Builds, **$3,039,700,** 3 and 4 story APARTMENT, RIO PIEDRAS, PUERTO RICO. United Planning Services, 800 Labra St., Santurce, Puerto Rico, archts.

AMERICANS ABROAD

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **Israel, Ashdod**—PORT IMPRVS.—BA 12/30—Ministry Transport & Communications, Gov. of Israel, Tel Aviv, main and lee breakwater, 3 wharves, dredging, excav. $45,000,000. Plans deposit $100. CD 10/12/59.

PROPOSED PROJECTS

WATER SUPPLY

▲ **N. C., Asheville**—City, City Hall, water lines from North Fork Reservoir to Bee Tree Junction and from city main line at Haw Creek to junction at Biltmore. **$4,500,000.** Charles T. Main, Inc., Wachovia Bank Bldg., Charlotte, consult. engr. CD 10/18.

SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

▲ **Fla., Orlando**—City, City Hall, voted $4,500,000

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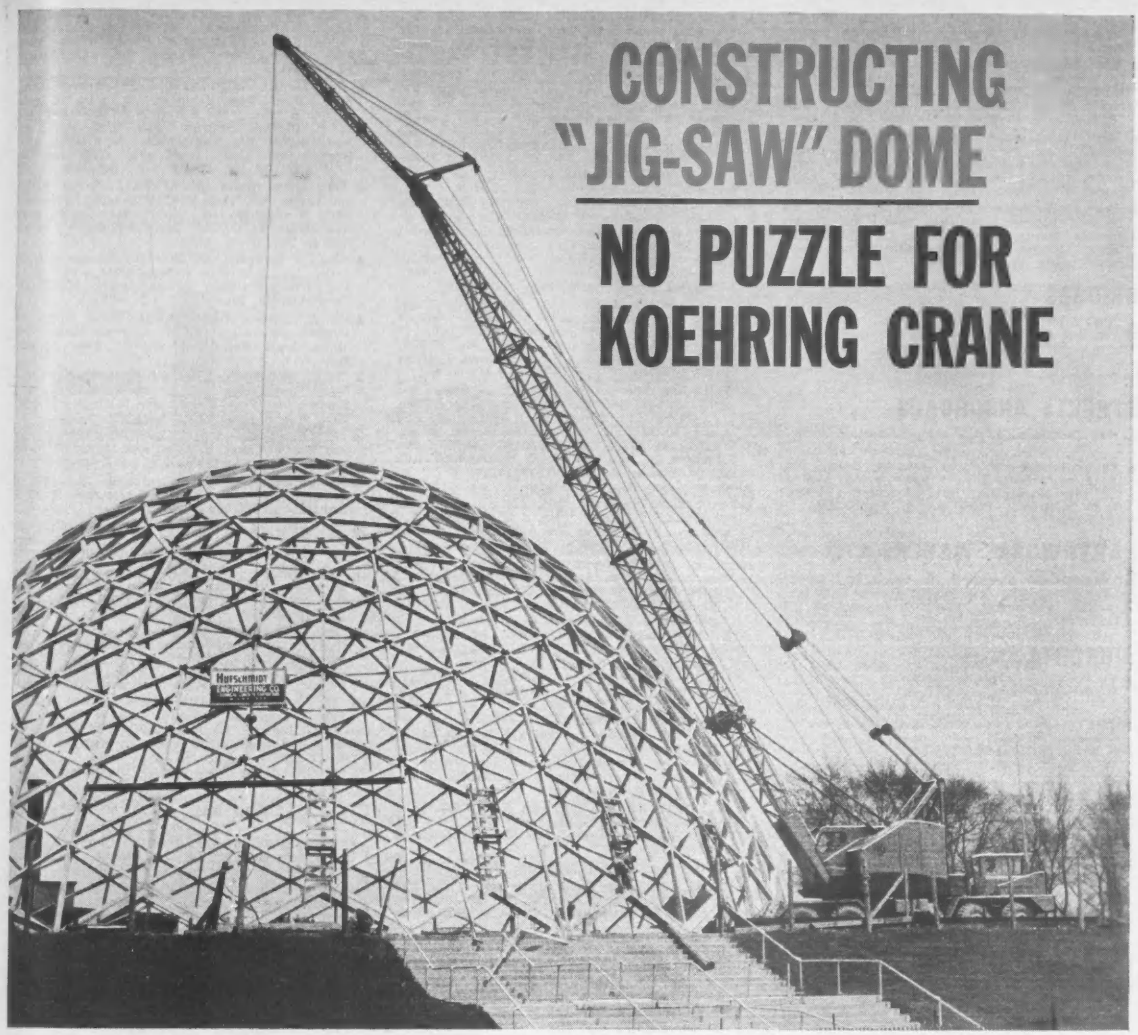

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bonds Nov. 8, sanitary and storm sewers. Smith & Gillespie, 123 E. Forsyth St., Jacksonville, consult. engrs. CD 8/2.

▲ **Kan., Kansas City**—City, City Hall, voted $15,000,000 bonds Nov. 8, sewage treatment facilities. $25,000,000-$30,000,000. Truman Schlup, 1401 Fairfax Trafficway, Kansas City, Kan., consult. engr. CD 10/6.

▲ **Mass., Salem**—South Essex Sewerage Dist., 50 Fort Ave., sewerage rehabilitation, Peabody, Salem, Beverly and Danvers. $6,000,000-$6,500,000. Green Engineering Affiliates, Inc., 177 Milk St., Boston, Mass., consult. engr. Constr. 1961. CD 8/18.

▲ **New Jersey**—Passaic Valley Sewerage Comn., 764 20 Ave., Paterson, completing Newark Bay Sewage Pumping Station, Newark, Essex Co. $3,500,000. Metcalf & Eddy, 156 Stuart St., Boston, Mass., consult. engrs. CD 4/25.

BRIDGES

▲ **IOWA—Clinton Bridge Comn., Clinton, Clinton Co.**—Lyon Fulton bridge over Mississippi River north end of city. $5,000,000. Modjeski & Masters, 6th and Forrester Sts., Box 167, Harrisburg, Pa., consult. engrs.

STREETS AND ROADS

▲ **Fla., Orlando**—City, City Hall, defeated bonds Nov. 8, street imprvs. $3,570,000. CD 8/2.

▲ **Pa., Pittsburgh**—Bd. Comrs. Allegheny County, Zone 19, 3 mi. limited access highway serving industrial dist. near airport, land being condemned, two lanes to be built now, Phase No. 2, $2,500,000. CD 12/15/43.

EARTHWORK, WATERWAYS

▲† **Arkansas and Missouri**—U. S. Eng., 300 Broadway, Little Rock, Ark., Bull Shoals Reservoir (Units 7 and 8). $7,900,000. $100,000 appropriated. CD 11/13/51.

AIRPORTS

▲ **Fla., Daytona Beach**—AMUSEMENT PARK, etc.—Owner, c/o W. R. Gomon & Assocs., archts., Municipal Airport Bldg. No. 1, P.O. Box 1671, Florida's Land of Fantasy Amusement Park, 116 acres, incl. submarine, miniature town, restaurants, etc. north of here. Over $10,000,000. Carl Gerken, 431 Jabaly Ave., assoc. archt. Kenneth Cooper, c/o archt., consult. engr.

▲ **N. Y., Flushing**—EXHIBIT BLDG.—American Gas Assn. & Gas Appliance Manufacturers Assn., 420 Lexington Ave., New York, Zone 17, plans by Walter Dorwin Teague, 415 Madison Ave., New York, Zone 17, exhibit bldg. at World's Fair. $5,500,000.

▲ **Tenn., Memphis**—STADIUM—Memphis Stadium Committee, Inc., c/o James Moore, city comr., Memphis, stadium to seat 60,000 persons, with expansion possible to 100,000 seats. $2,000,000. CD 12/16/48.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—POWER PLANT—City of Los Angeles, City Hall, and City of Pasadena, City Hall, 50,000 kw. protype nuclear power plant with boiling water reactor, Haskell Canyon, Los Angeles Co. Negotiations between Cities and Atomic Energy Comm. underway. Project needs Congressional approval. Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Wash., D. C. has offered to design and construct the project at $10,760,370. Completion is planned for 1964. The project is protype for 300,000 kw. reactor.

▲ **Del., Wilmington**—SCHOOL—Alfred I DuPont School Dist., 1400 Foulk Rd., plans by Whiteside, Moeckel & Carbonell, 9th and Market Sts., elementary school, March and Silverside Rds., $2,250,000. CD 8/29/57.

▲ **Fla., St. Petersburg**—HOSPITAL—City, City Hall, plans by Bruce & Parrish, 2710 9th St. N., St. Petersburg, Mercy Hospital (City Hospital), $2,000,000. CD 3/15.

▲ **Hawaii, Honolulu**—EAST-WEST CENTER, etc.—University of Hawaii, Wilder Ave., Honolulu, plans by Clifford Young and I. M. Pei, 931 University Ave., Ext. Rm. 207, Honolulu, Hawaii, First Phase, East-West Center, $6,300,000, CD 10/28; plans by Lublin, McGaughy & Assocs., 2964 East Manoa Rd., Honolulu, Hawaii, Institute of Geophysics. $3,000,000, CD 7/6; plans by Kenji Onodera, 1145 Bishop St., Honolulu, Hawaii, 10 story Gateway House Student Dormintory, $1,300,000; plans by Takashi Anbe, 1631 Kapiolani Blvd., Honolulu, Hawaii, health institute, University of Hawaii, $1,300,000. CD 8/6/59.

▲ **Ill., Peoria**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., 3202 Wisconsin St., voted bonds Nov. 8, 1,100 seat auditorium, 3,000 seat gymnasium, Manual Training High School, Russell Field, $763,000; Woodruff High School, $1,153,500; rehab. Roosevelt Junior High School, $401,975; Peoria High School, $1,997,930; Trewyn Junior High School, auditorium and cafeteria, $3,300,280. CD 9/22.

▲† **Md., Gaithersburg**—BUILDINGS—General Services Admin., Pub. Bldgs. Service, 19 and F Sts. N. W., Wash. 25, D. C., plans by Voorhees, Walker, Smith, Smith & Haines, 101 Park Ave. New York, N. Y., 20 buildings for Bureau of Standards. First Phase: laboratory site preparation, roads, utilities, power plant. $100,000,000. (1st Phase $23,500,000) $10,000,000 appropriated. CD 12/9/57.

▲ **Mass., Worcester**—PUBLIC LIBRARY—City, City Hall, plans by Curtin & Davis, 2475 Canal St., New Orleans, La., public library. $2,800,000. Constr. 1961. CD 2/20/52.

▲ **Minn., Minneapolis**—HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY—Minneapolis Housing and Redevelopment Auth., 215 Public Health Center Bldg., four 12 story, 352 units low-rent public housing for the elderly, Sites 5 and 6, 5 St. S., 7 St. S., 16 Ave. S. and Cedar Ave., $2,868,000; three 4 story apartments, Site 76, 3 Ave. and University Ave. NE, Site 77, 2 St. and 7 Ave. NE and Site 78, 5 St. and Washington St. N.E. $1,000,000. Constr. late 1961.

▲ **Mo., Columbia**—MEMORIAL STUDYING UNION, etc.—Curators University of Missouri, 116 Jesse Hall, plans by Jamieson, Spearl, Hammond & Grolock, Arcade Bldg., St. Louis, Zone 1, 3 story, 33,000 sq. ft. south wing Memorial Studying Union; 2 story, 57,300 sq. ft. Student Union annex, Rollins St. and The Mall, $2,605,000. Constr. Spring 1961. CD 11/16.

▲ **N. J., Cranford**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ. Cranford Twp., Central Ave., referendum bonds and project Jan. 17, Junior High School, Hilliside Ave. $2,500,000, CD 10/13, and Senior High School, Orange Ave, $3,000,000. Epple & Seaman, 901 Broad St., Newark, archts. CD 5/24.

▲ **N. J., New Brunswick**—ENGINEERING—Rutgers University, College Ave., plans by Frank Grad & Sons, 11 Commerce St., Newark, N. J., engineering bldg. at site. $5,500,000. Sears & Kopf, 45 W. 45 St., New York 36, N. Y., consult. engrs. Farkas & Barron, 5 Beekman St., New York 38, N. Y., structural engrs. Bids in February 1961. CD 12/14/59.

▲ **N. J., Rosella Park**—HIGH SCHOOL—Bd. Educ. Boro Roselle Park, referendum bonds and project Jan. 17, high school, Webster Ave. $2,500,000. Emil Schmidlin, 50 Evergreen Ave., East Orange, archts. CD 9/21.

▲ **N. J., Toms River**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ. Twp. of Dover, 306 Horner St. plans by Micklewright & Mountford, E. Stuyvesant St., Trenton, Junior High School, $2,300,000; elementary school, $548,000. CD 12/5/58.

▲ **N. Y., Brooklyn**—INDEPENDENCE HOUSES—NEW York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York, Zone 7, plans by Holden, Egan, Wilson & Corser, 630 3 Ave., New York 17, N. Y., Proj. NYS-100, Independence Houses, 750 apartments, Clymer St., Wilson St., Wythe Ave. and Bedford Ave. $8,915,000. Bids late 1961. CD 3/18.

▲ **N. Y., East Meadow**—ELECTRONIC CANCER TREATMENT—County of Nassau, Old County Court House, Franklin Ave., Mineola, electronic cancer treatment bldg., Meadowbrook Hospital. $3,264,000. Capital Fund Project in 1961 Budget.

▲ **N. Y. Great Neck**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ. UFSD No. 7, 345 Lakeville Rd., plans by Moore & Hutchins, 800 2 Ave., New York, Red Brook Elementary School. $2,750,000.

▲ **N. Y., Locust Valley**—SCHOOL, etc.—Bd. Educ. Central School Dist. No. 3, Horse Hollow Rd., plans by Eggers & Higgins, 100 East 42 St., New York, N. Y., Junior-Senior High School and natatorium. $4,597,500.

▲ **N. Y., Mineola**—ADMINISTRATION—County of Nassau, Old County Court House, Franklin Ave., administration bldg. add. for Board of Elections, Motor Vehicle Bureau. $2,003,000.

▲ **N. Y., New Rochelle**—HOUSING—New Rochelle Housing Auth., 750 5 Ave., plans by Horace Ginsbern & Assocs., 205 E. 42 St., New York, Zone 17, 150 units public housing, Main St. between Harrison and Echo Aves. $2,805,000. Constr. Spring 1961. CD 4/8.

▲ **N. Y., New York**—CROTONA PARK HOUSES—New York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York 7, plans by Lapidus, Kornblath, 139 E. 56 St., New York 22, N. Y., Crotona Park Houses: Proj. NYS-108, 730 apartments, Crotona Ave., Crotona Park north and Cross Bronx Expressway, Bronx Boro. $3,695,800. Bids about March-April 1961. CD 3/18.

▲ **N. Y., Roosevelt**—SCHOOLS—Bd. Educ., UFSD No. 8, Wagner Ave. SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, and primary school. $2,000,000-$3,000,000.

▲ **O., Lorain**—HOSPITAL—City, City Hall, voted $3,500,000 bonds Nov. 8, Lorain Hospital. Ross Garrett & Assocs., 324 N. Lake Shore Dr., Chicago, Ill., archts.

▲ **Okla., Tulsa**—LIBRARY—City, City Hall, and Tulsa Co., Courthouse, bond election Dec. 13, city-county library. $3,850,000. W. R. Wooten, City hall, owner's engr.

▲† **S. C., Charleston**—HOUSING—Dist. P. Wks. Office, 6th Naval Dist., plans by Thomas F. Faires & Associates, Inc., archt. consult. engr., 1027 Falls Bldg., Memphis 3, Tenn., 500 units, Capehart Housing, $8,250,000. CD 11/18.

▲ **Va., Richmond**—OFFICE—State Hy. Dpt., 1221 E. Broad St., Richmond, plans by Carneal & Johnson, 602 W. Cary St., 10 story office. $5,000,000. CD 8/29.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—OFFICE—Los Angeles Federal Savings Assoc., 875 N. Vine St., plans by Honnold & Rex, 9026 Melrose Ave., 16 story office, Sunset and Vine Sts. $2,000,000. Bids March 1961.

▲ **Fla., Bradenton**—SHOPPING CENTER—Owner, c/o Alfred T. Floyd, archt., 433 Grand Central Ave., Tampa, 55,000 sq. ft., steel frame, concrete block, brick shopping center, Manatee Ave. and 51st W. $2,000,000.

▲ **Fla., Kendall**—SHOPPING CENTER—Myerhoff Corp., First National Bank, Baltimore, Md., plans by Weed-Johnson & Assocs., 550 Brickell Ave., Miami, 800,000 sq. ft. Dadeland Shopping Center, U. S. Hy. 1 and North Kendall Dr. $10,000,000. H. J. Ross, 1735 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, struct. engr. Weeks Eng. Co., 1735 S.W. 3rd Ave., Miami, Fla., elec. engr.

▲ **Fla., Miami Beach**—APARTMENTS—Milton Lipkin, 940 Lincoln Rd., plans by Morris Lapidus, Kornblath, Harle & Liebman, 940 Lincoln Rd., Crystal House Apartments. $3,500,000. Oboler & Clark, 927 Arthur Godfrey Dr., struct. engrs.

▲ **Mass., Springfield**—APARTMENT—Wolper Enterprises, Inc., c/o Max Girberg, archt., 293 Bridge St., 13 story apartment, 300 car parking. $2,500,000. Constr. Spring 1961.

▲ **N. J., Laurence Harbor**—HOMES—Saul Cantor Associates, Inc., U. S. Hy. 9, Laurence Harbor, 290 homes, Sayre Woods area, Madison Twp. $4,500,000.

▲ **N. J., Newark**—COLLEGE BUILDINGS—Newark College of Engineering, 32 High St., plans by Epple & Seaman, 901 Broad St., college buildings. $7,000,000. Bids in 1962. CD 11/23/59.

▲ **N. J., Secaucus**—Motel—Cherry Hill Inn, Haddonfield Rd., Merchantville, 1,200 room motel, off Garden State Parkway. $3,000,000.

▲ **O., Columbus**—APARTMENT—Tocomo Corp., 965 E. Broad St., 12 story, 185 unit apartment, 1100 E. Broad St. $3,000,000.

▲ **Pa., Phila.**—HOSPITAL—Pennsylvania Hospital, 8th and Spruce Sts., plans by Martin, Stewart & Noble, 117 S. 17th St., hospital. $3,000,000. CD 8/10/59.

▲ **Tex., Dallas**—HOTEL—Marriott Motor Hotel, subsidiary Hot Shoppes, Inc., Dallas Love Field, Marriott Motor Hotel, Stemmons Freeway and Industrial. $4,500,000.

▲ **Tex., McQueeney** — HOMES — Treasure Island, Inc., c/o 123 Greenhaven St., San Antonio, plans by Geo. MacKenney, 123 Greenhaven St., 100 homes. $2,250,000. R. Marvin Shipman, 202 W. Olmos Dr., San Antonio, consult. engr. Contract soon.

▲ **Tex., San Antonio**—OFFICE, etc.—Morris Kallison, 124 S. Flores St., plans by Atlee B. & Rob. M. Ayres, 342 W. Woodlawn Ave., 7 story, 125,000 sq. ft., concrete frame office, Cypress St. between N. McCullough Ave. and Main Ave., $2,500,000; 400 car parking garage, Cypress St. between N. McCullough Ave. and Main St., $250,000. Reynolds & Morgan, 1003 Ins. Bldg., and Martin E. Staley, No. 31 Chandler Bldg., consult. engrs. Bids early 1961.

▲ **Tex., San Antonio**—APARTMENT—Owner, c/o Leland S. Austin, chn. Nat'l Bank Commerce, San Antonio, Elderly People Apartment. $7,000,000.

▲ **Va., Virginia Beach**—HOSPITAL and NURSING HOME—Princess Anne Medical Center, Inc., will not construct hospital and nursing home, Virginia Beach Blvd. $2,000,000, Project abandoned. Shriver & Holland, Flat Iron Bldg., Norfolk, Va., archt. Isadore & Zachary Rosenfield, 45 W. 45th St., New York, N. Y., consult. archts. CD 4/12.

▲ **Wis., Cudahy**—APARTMENT—Towne Realty Co., 5225 W. Burleigh St., Milwaukee, plans by Tannenbaum & Koehnen, 2465 W. Capitol Dr., Milwaukee, 10 story, 230 unit apartment. $3,000,000. CD 5/18.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

▲ **N. J., Perth Amboy**—INDUSTRIAL PARK—Middlesex-Amboy Industrial Parks, 5 Spring St., New Brunswick, plans by Erwin Gerber, 11 Commerce St., Newark, Golden Circle Industrial Park, incl. light manufacturing bldgs., employees recreational facilities, Pennsylvania R.R. spur, Hy. 35, Madison Twp., near here. $30,000,000 (5-6 year program). $3,000,000 to go ahead first year. H. Thomas Carr, 313 State St., Perth Amboy, engr. Reo Contracting Co. has been set up by owner to handle project.

▲ **O., Brecksville**—RESEARCH CENTER—B. F. Goodrich Co., 500 S. Main St., Akron, research center addn. $1,500,000; Phase 2, research center addn., $2,500,000.

▲ **O., Cincinnati**—PARKING GARAGES—Expressway Parking Co., c/o Vogt, Ivers, Seaman & Assocs., archts., 34 W. 6th St., two 5 story parking garages, between Race, Vine and Main and Walnut Sts. $6,600,000. CD 10/21.

▲ **O., Middletown**—PLANTS—Armco Steel Corp., Middletown, four 207,000 sq. ft. plants for spiral welded pipe operations. $2,500,000. CD 6/17/59.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—PLANT—Columbia-Southern Chemical Corps., Bank of Commerce Bld., plant addn., Lawrence Dr. $3,500,000. Walter Kidde Engineers Southwest, Inc., 1205 Holman St., consult. engr. Constr. early 1961.

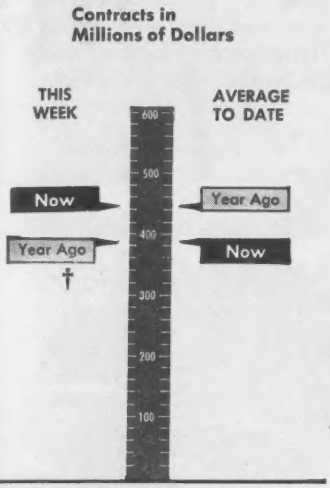
PUERTO RICO

▲ **Puerto Rico**—Rio Piedras—HOUSING—Puerto Rico Urban Renewal & Housing Admin., Box 397, Rio Piedras, plans by Schimmelpfenning, Ruiz & Gonzalez, Edificio Montserrate Munoz Rivera St., Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, 400 rein.-con. public housing. $3,000,000; three 456 units low housing, $3,500,000.

(Proposal Advertisements see pp. 88 to 90)

Construction Scoreboard

This Week . . .



AMOUNT OF CONTRACTS LET

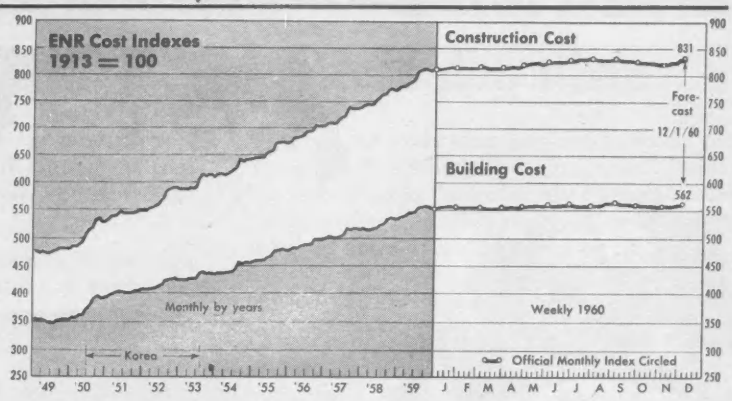
Contracts Awarded In 50 States By Type	This Week millions	Cum. 49 wks 1960	Chge '59-'60 %
All Heavy Construction	$446.1	$21,859.7	+14
By Ownership			
PRIVATE	192.2	11,682.9	+19
PUBLIC	253.9	10,176.8	+ 8
State & Municipal	181.3	7,903.5	+17
Federal	72.6	2,273	−15
By Type of Work			
PUBLIC			
Waterworks	9.9	438.8	+21
Sewerage	10.7	572.1	− 7
Bridges*	10.1	760.3	+41
Highways	62.6	3,241.1	+18
Earthwork, Dams & Waterways	14.4	719.6	−16
Buildings:			
Excl. Housing	93.6	2,416.2	− 1
Housing	9.9	675.8	+17
Unclassified	42.7	1,361.6	+ 5
PRIVATE			
Buildings:			
Mass Housing	110.4	5,604.1	+27
Commercial	44.5	2,442.8	+21
Industrial	33.4	2,649.1	− 8
Unclassified	3.9	978.2	+107

* Includes Private bridges † 4-day week

NOTE Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterways, $53,000; other public works, $88,000; industrial buildings, $110,000; other buildings, $400,000.

NEW CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL

	Week of Dec. 1 millions	Cum. 48 wks 1960	Chge '59-'60 %
Corporate Securities	$ 10.0	$3,466.3	−12
State and Municipal:			
All Except Housing	42.5	5,915.5	+ 8
Housing	14.9	213.9	+99
Federal Loans	....	173.9	+30
Federal Aid	....	3,228.4	− 3
Total Nonfederal	$ 67.3	$12,998.0	+0.2
Federal Appropriations:			
Projects in U. S.	....	$3,165.6	−11
Outside U. S.	....	159.1	+610
Total New Capital	$ 67.3	$16,322.7	− 1



ENR INDEXES (1913 = 100), 20-cities' average	Week of Dec. 1 1960	% Change from Nov. 3 1960	% Change from Dec. 3 1959
Construction Cost	830.16	+0.06	+2.7
Building Cost	561.50	+0.07	+1.6

*Official Monthly Index for December, 1960.

To convert above indexes to 1926 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 2.080; Building Cost by 1.850.
1949 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 4.770; Building Cost by 3.518.

This Month . . .

WAGE RATES, 20-cities' average	Dec. 1960	% Change from Nov. 1960	% Change from Dec. 1959
Common	$2,747	+0.07	+4.6
Skilled (average 3 trades)	4,099	+0.1	+4.0
Bricklayers	4,312	+0.05	+3.4
Carpenters	3,839	+0.2	+4.4
Structural Ironworkers	4,145	0	+4.2
Equipment operators (average three types)	3,728	+0.03	+4.7
MATERIAL PRICES, 20-cities average			
Structural Steel (average 3 mills), per cwt	5.50	0	0
Lumber, 2x4 Fir, per M fbm	115.51	−0.3	−4.2
Lumber, 2x4 Pine, per M fbm	108.73	+0.3	+0.6
Cement, bulk, per bbl	4.03	+0.2	+2.3
Sand, per ton	2.362	0	−4.3
Ready-mixed concrete, per cu yd	14.27	−0.5	+1.0
Gypsum sheathing, ½″x2′x8′, per Msf*	62.47	0	−1.6
Fiber board sheathing, ½″ sq. ed., per Msf*	70.66	0	−3.9
Mineral wool insulation, 3′ batts, per Msf*	68.12	0	−0.4
Crushed stone, 1½″, per ton, CL	2.648	0	−1.7
Concrete blocks, sand/gravel, 8″x8″x16″, each*	0.2284	0	−8.5

Latest Month . . .

	Nov. 1960	Oct. 1960	Nov. 1959
Brick, common per M	40.94	−0.2	+3.4
Lime, hydrated finishing, per ton, CL	43.20	+1.6	+0.5
Structural clay tile, 3x12x12″, per M, 2,000 up*	188.91	+0.4	+2.2
Vitrified clay sewer pipe, std 12″, per ft	1.403	−0.4	+2.6
Concrete sewer pipe, 12″, per ft	1.419	0	+4.8

*Delivered, trucklots

ENR INDEX REVIEW

1959	Construction Cost 1913=100	Construction Cost 1949=100	Building Cost 1913=100	Building Cost 1949=100	Volume 1913=100	Volume 1949=100
Oct.	810.60	169.93	555.40	157.88	415	120
Nov.	808.98	169.59	554.19	157.53	509	147
Dec.	807.85	169.35	552.30	157.10	436	126
1959 Average	796.91	167.06	547.82	155.72	540	156
1960						
Jan.	811.84	170.19	554.40	157.59	432	125
Feb.	812.73	170.37	555.43	157.09	486	140
Mar.	813.26	170.48	555.16	157.81	533	154
Apr.	814.78	170.80	555.98	158.04	695	201
May.	822.58	172.44	559.57	159.06	610	176
June.	826.64	173.29	561.02	159.48	784	227
July.	829.33	173.85	562.63	159.93	682	197
Aug.	830.18	174.03	562.17	159.80	631	182
Sept.	830.92	174.19	562.79	159.98	603	174
Oct.	829.58	173.90	561.45	159.60	591	171
Nov.	830.09	174.01	561.11	159.50	609	176
Dec.	830.61	174.12	561.50	159.61	...	...

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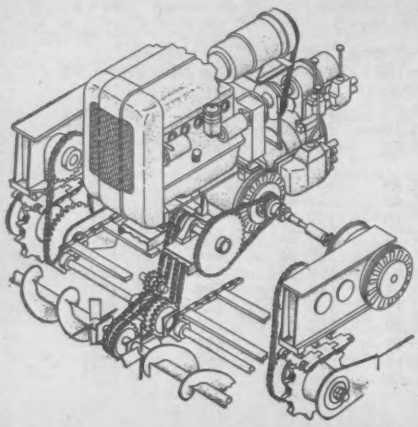

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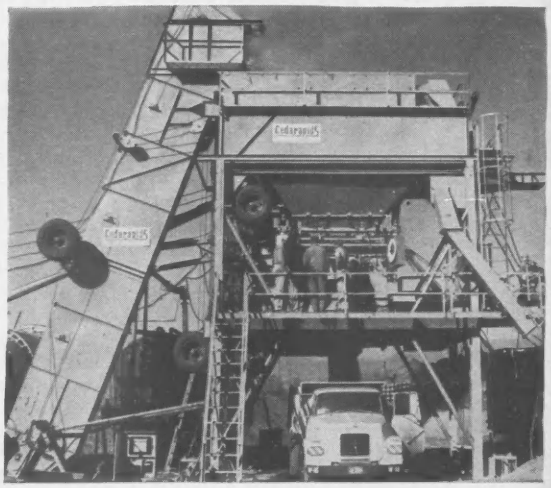

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Cities Are Confident of Federal-Aid

- **American Municipal Association expects a more sympathetic hearing in Washington to its requests for federal aid.**
- **Mayors are pushing for a Cabinet-level voice for the cities through a Department of Urban Affairs.**

Close to 2,000 of the nation's top city officials, meeting in New York City last week, spoke and acted like men who had the ear of the next U. S. President and a key to the U. S. Treasury.

The occasion was the thirty-seventh annual congress of the American Municipal Association. Purpose was to establish policy for 1961 and recommend federal programs that could result in hundreds of millions of dollars in additional outlays for construction, engineering and all types of public works planning programs.

Generally, and perhaps significantly, few recommendations established specific dollar amounts; most were couched in terms of "adequate funds should be provided." Some, such as the one on urban renewal, amended the old 1960 statement by urging "adequate funds" for urban planning assistance. It had called for an appropriation of $5 million for the purpose.

Although there were 18 resolutions contained on 30 typewritten pages, the over-all operation was basically one of amending and adding to the policy statement of 1960, which then became the 1961 policy statement.

It was the 1960 statement that contained many of the dollar-amount recommendations, and which for the most part were left unchanged. These included an airport construction program calling for $100 million a year in federal grants for each of five years and an additional $75 million for discretionary use, boosting total annual authorization under the 1956 Water Pollution Control Act from $50 million to $100 million; and restoring the public housing program to its original authorization of 810,000 units.

Chief among the recommendations, and one suggested by many other groups in recent months, is representation for cities at Cabinet level—a Department of Urban Development and Housing. If such a department is created—and President-elect John F. Kennedy has supported the idea—the mayors and city managers would have the close attention of the new President.

Chances are good that the head of such a new department would be drawn from the membership of the AMA. And because the big cities were chiefly responsible for Mr. Kennedy's slim margin of victory, there is little doubt that he will be sympathetic to the requests of city officials.

This possibly explains the absence of recommendations with a price tag attached. The estimated costs instead will be presented in advisory briefings with the President.

And because of the Democratic control of Congress, Presidential requests will fare pretty well. The mantle of confidence comfortably worn by city officials at last week's meeting is therefore understandable.

The session also pointed to what undoubtedly will prove to be a controversial topic in the new Congress—highways. Financing of the Interstate will be a focal point of controversy. The federal gasoline tax, now at four cents a gallon, will be one of the major points of disagreement. Under legislation written last year, the tax was boosted by one cent, but that one-cent increase is scheduled to expire July 1 of next year. Then, one-half of the present 10% manufacturers' excise tax on cars and five-eighths of the 8% excise tax on automotive parts and accessories are scheduled to go into the Highway Trust Fund.

All signs point to a stiff fight to retain the fourth cent, and the cities will be in the forefront of that battle. But should the cities' idea be rejected, they have forged another weapon. The AMA resolved that "should the federal tax drop one cent . . . as now scheduled, each state is urged to consider increasing its gas tax one cent, or by increasing other highway revenues."

With 46 states preparing for regularly scheduled legislative sessions, municipal delegations will be out in force, plumping for legislation that would authorize a boost in taxes if the federal levy drops. The battle lines have already been drawn, and in some states the idea may be well received. Washington State's Joint Interim Legislative Committee on Highways estimates that $4 billion will be required by 1975 to provide needed roads. The committee therefore looked favorably on raising the state gas tax by one cent, should the federal tax drop as scheduled. And in Indiana, the Highway Constructors Association is formally opposed to any reduction in the federal gas tax. There are indications that this group will urge an increased tax at the state level in the event the federal tax does fall.

One of the few dollar signs added to the AMA's 1961 policy statement involves hospital-construction objectives. Although praising the Hill-Burton Act for the benefits it provides, the statement says its fails to supply funds for "modernization and renovation of facilities in urban areas." The association therefore asks that Congress amend the legislation to authorize appropriations of $150 million annually for modernization. Need for such federal help is supported by figures of the U. S. Public Health Service, which estimates the cost of needed hospital modernization would run to $3.1 billion, according to the AMA.

Water resources development and water pollution control drew major attention. The association says that if municipalities are to catch up with treatment needs by 1965, they must spend $1.9 billion. To provide for population growth would require another $1.8 billion, while replacement of obsolete plants would require $1 billion, for a community-outlay total of $4.7 billion. To this is added the cost of new industrial waste plants at a cost of $4.5 billion.

The organization asks Congress to establish a "separate water pollution control organization, provide for comprehensive control on all surface, coastal and underground waters in accordance with a program to be established, directed and enforced by the federal government with coordination at the state and municipal levels, and provide funds and authority to expand the national water quality network to include every city and industry with a significant waste disposal load."

Increase

Under water resources planning and development, the AMA urges Congress to enact legislation establishing the river basin as the basic unit for the development and administration of water resources and within that framework:

- Provide for the comprehensive development of water resources by the construction of maximum-use, multiple-purpose works.
- Provide for recognition of all purposes, wherever applicable in water resources projects, including the purposes of navigation, flood control, power, irrigation, watershed management, water supply, low-flow augmentation, pollution abatement, recreation and conservation.
- Provide for municipal, state and federal participation in financing methods and in project costs on a uniform basis, applicable alike to all projects.

Among recommendations involving airports was one calling for legislation providing federal funds in an amount to pay for at least 50% of all needed improvements and facilities at civil airports, both in the landing area and in the terminal building area. This would include passenger terminals and supporting units attached to a passenger terminal.

Currently, federal grants can be used only for projects involving runways, taxiways, control towers and other airport components that contribute directly to take-off, flying and landing of airplanes.

AMA took a charity-begins-at-home approach in its requests for aid to depressed areas, arguing that the U.S. can't spend $2 billion to $3 billion annually abroad for economic and technical development and continue ignoring "identical needs of the most unfortunate segment of its own population."

The mayors urged technical assistance for economic analysis and planning at community and regional levels, urban renewal coverage for redevelopment of properties in depressed areas, loans for construction or rehabilitation of industrial plants, vocational training and retraining for workers in redevelopment areas, and supplementary unemployment benefits for those taking such courses.

A start in meeting the requests came this week when President-elect Kennedy appointed a special committee to draft a program for depressed-areas aid.

Bids Due on $11.5-Million Building

The U. S. General Services Administration will open bids December 15 for construction of the Washington, D. C., headquarters building of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. Cost of the structure is estimated at $11.5 million. Completion is scheduled for 1962. The seven-story building will contain about 264,000 sq ft of gross floor area. Exterior finish will be either granite or marble.

Architects are Chatelain, Gauger & Nolan of Washington, D. C., and Perkins & Will of Chicago.

Business in Brief...

- **Big federal contract**—A $32.5-million contract for construction of a 21-story federal office building in San Francisco was awarded to a joint venture consisting of Roscoe-Ajax Construction, Inc., Washington, D. C., and Knickerbocker Construction Corp., New York City. Work is expected to start next month for completion in May, 1963.

- **First of several**—First step in a $2-million civic center redevelopment program for Vernon, Calif., was taken last week with the award of a $350,000 contract to construct two buildings. One will be a warehouse and a master control room for the city's water pumping system. The other will be a maintenance shop.

- **Getting bigger**—American Pipe & Construction Co., Monterey Park, Calif., just bought all outstanding stock of Sterling Concrete Pipe Co. of Madison, Calif.

- **TV policeman** – Closed-circuit television will provide a security system protecting tenants of the new 17-story Penn Wynn House apartment building near Philadelphia. TV cameras covering all building entrances will enable the doorman stationed at the main entrance to spot unauthorized persons attempting to enter.

- **Local spending**—Houston will have to spend $28 million in the next 20 years to construct an adequate network of sanitary sewers in the northwest section of the city, according to Turner & Collie Consulting Engineers, Inc. About half of the total should be spent in the next five years because of present inadequacies, the engineers say.

- **Fund raising**—A private nonprofit corporation, Memphis Stadium Committee, Inc., is initiating a drive to raise $2 million for a 60,000-seat stadium.

- **More plans for Florida**—Thompson Homes, Inc., currently operating in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, has started work on a housing development in the Sarasota-Brandenton area of Florida. Plans call for the construction of more than 4,000 houses.

- **Pilots defer to pavers**—A 10-day repair job on Honolulu Airport's jet runway will force six major airlines to make world-wide changes in flight schedules. A contractor working 18 hours a day will put a 2½-in. layer of asphalt on the 100-ft-wide center strip of the 12,600-ft runway next month. The airlines will use the runway the remaining six hours of each day.

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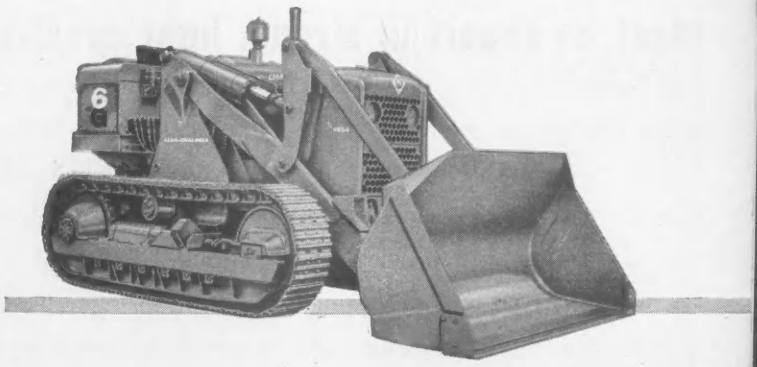

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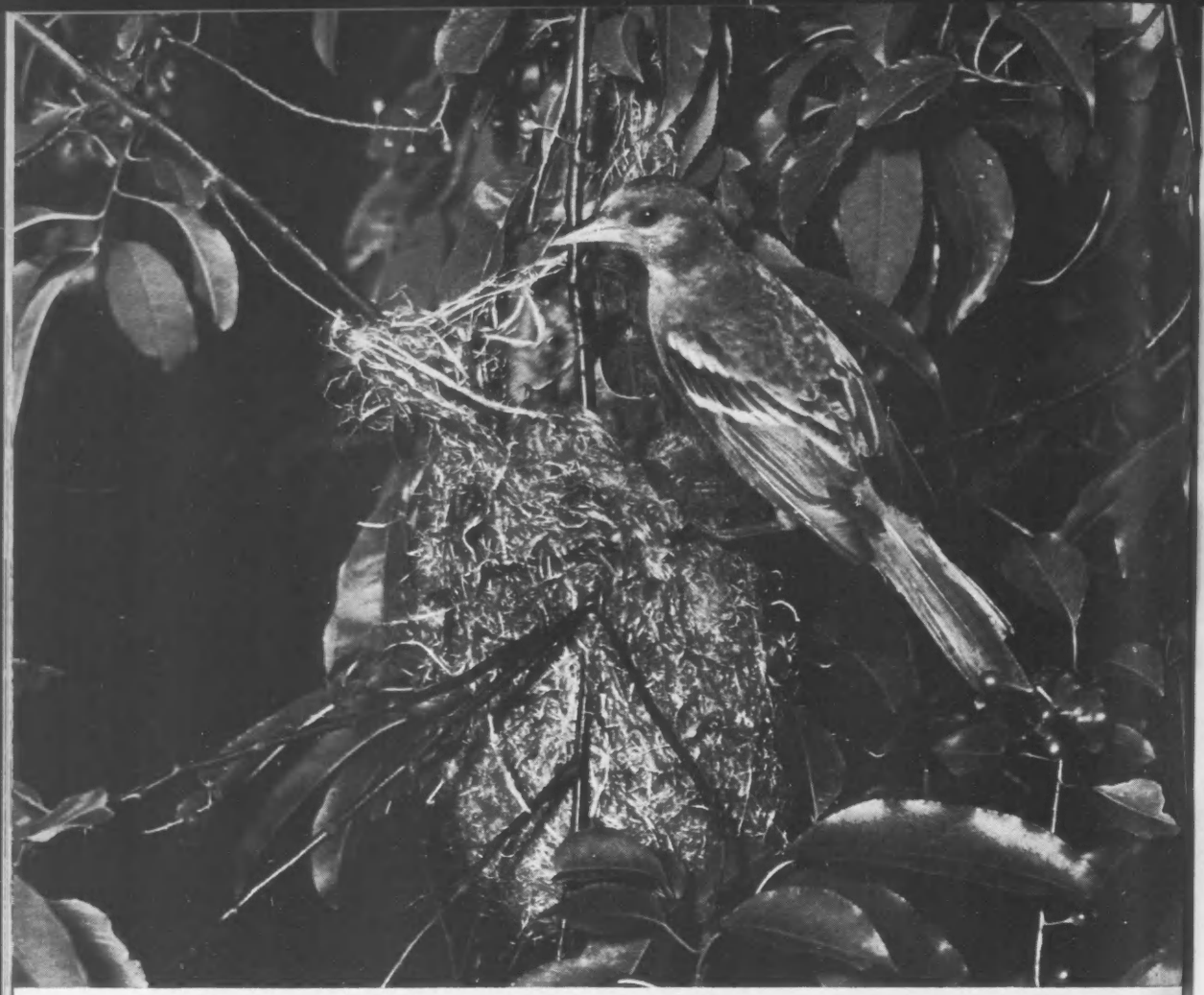

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Contract Awards Now Top '59 by 14%

Heavy construction contract awards totaling $1.8 billion in November set a record for the month and pushed cumulative volume for the January-November period 14% above last year to a total of more than $21 billion.

Although over-all new construction business last month was a record for a November, volume slipped 1% below October. Still it was 21% above the $1.5 billion worth of contracts awarded in November 1959.

Strength came from the public sector, with every type of public works except highways gaining on October. And compared with one year ago, only earthwork-dams-waterways failed to post an increase. As a result, public awards of $895 million rose 28% above October and 33% above the $672 million of November 1959. And for the 11-month period, public works contract awards of $9.7 billion are 7% above last year. This makes 1960 the second biggest year on record.

November's federal work—$228 million—showed 135% above the $97-million total of October and 49% ahead of the year-ago volume of $153 million. The surge resulted from contracts for federal dams, missile plants, Capehart housing, hospitals and office buildings. The 11-month total, however, is 15% short of one year ago, but the gap is narrowing. At the end of the first 10 months, federal contracts were 19% behind the first 10 months of 1959.

State and municipal construction pushes on at its near-record pace. The $667 million worth of contracts awarded in November topped October's $601 million by 11% and November 1959 volume of $519 million by 29%. For the 11 months, awards of $7.5 billion top 1959 by 16% and every full year on record except 1958.

Private construction will also wind up the year as the second best on record, falling short only of 1956 when industrial awards were booming. A sharp, largely seasonal drop in mass housing awards in November, held down the private total to $880 million, off 20% from the $1.1 billion of October. The surprising upsurge in commercial building contracts in recent months, with November volume of $280 million being almost double a year ago, is enough to offset the year-to-year declines in other private work.

Private volume in November of $790 million was 11% above a year ago. The $11.3 billion in the first 11 months represents a 21% gain over a year ago.

Mass housing continued to chalk up more volume than any other type of construction, despite its seasonal sag and an 8% drop from November a year ago. With a 29% lead over the first 11 months at 1959, mass housing will score the second biggest year on record. The 12-month total for 1960 will be topped only by 1955.

Records have already been established by waterworks, commercial building and private unclassified construction.

Both commercial and industrial building weathered normal seasonal influences in November.

Costs Up Slightly This Month

Construction and building costs enter this final month of 1960 with the smallest 12-month increase since 1949. The eased squeeze on the construction dollar is attributed to lower lumber prices and some success in shaving the size of average annual wage increases.

ENR's 20-Cities Construction Cost Index for December is 830.61, a 2.7% gain over December 1959 after a jump of 4.3% between December 1958 and December 1959. The 20-Cities Building Cost Index of 561.50 is only 1.6% above 12 months ago. It was up 3.4% in the December 1958-59 period. Both indexes are based on 1913 as 100.

During the past month, there were few factors that significantly affected costs either up or down. Increases in both indexes were less than 0.1%. Douglas fir lumber prices at the major construction centers covered by ENR continued to drift lower, despite a better market tone and higher prices at West Coast mills. Southern pine lumber prices, however, were steady to a trifle higher.

Engineering Construction Contracts for November

	November, 1960								U. S. Cumulative			Canada
	New England	Middle Atlantic	South	Mid-West	Mississippi to Rockies	Far West*	Total U. S.	% Change '59 to '60	1960 (47 wks)	1959 (48 wks)	% Change '59 to '60 (Av wk)	Nov. 1960
Public Works, Total	**58,043**	**192,863**	**126,144**	**140,357**	**161,532**	**215,837**	**894,776**	**+33**	**9,710,643**	**9,273,304**	**+ 7**	**54,460**
Waterworks	1,513	559	4,459	4,242	7,105	20,633	38,511	+67	424,114	358,493	+21	2,824
Sewerage	1,062	18,987	12,883	14,407	8,271	4,298	59,908	+ 7	544,912	608,379	− 9	4,798
Bridges	1,828	18,847	8,279	11,595	8,296	9,559	58,404	+46	731,749	519,910	+44	5,951
Earthwork, Waterways	896	965	11,416	3,195	24,897	12,537	53,906	−20	703,297	827,269	−13	4,093
Streets and roads	9,844	74,632	26,963	46,479	70,115	38,890	266,923	+37	3,102,987	2,710,257	+17	7,678
Buildings: Residential	17,609	21,968	5,711	15,880	1,085	16,937	79,190	+191	639,579	574,917	+14	
Other	24,183	39,759	34,838	35,318	32,200	88,209	254,507	+36	2,269,586	2,417,769	− 4	17,282
Unclassified	1,108	17,146	21,595	9,241	9,563	24,774	83,427	+10	1,294,419	1,256,310	+ 5	11,834
State & Municipal	33,057	185,821	84,556	125,292	129,016	109,526	667,268	+29	7,548,732	6,672,837	+16	44,870
Federal	24,986	7,042	41,588	15,065	32,516	106,311	227,508	+49	2,161,911	2,600,467	−15	9,590
Private, Total	**39,790**	**356,584**	**115,288**	**87,988**	**167,295**	**113,188**	**880,133**	**+11**	**11,318,002**	**9,548,612**	**+21**	**40,159**
Bridges			2,000	1,188			3,188	+1175	8,695	11,173	−20	
Buildings: Industrial	4,177	88,716	28,245	34,266	66,185	34,023	255,612	− 6	2,574,621	2,774,336	− 5	6,291
Mass housing	19,494	129,213	46,401	26,060	60,460	43,076	324,704	− 8	5,432,124	4,306,687	+29	22,131
Commercial	15,126	138,155	32,830	24,380	34,999	34,797	280,287	+92	2,333,069	1,992,096	+20	11,653
Unclassified	993	500	5,812	2,094	5,651	1,292	16,342	−23	969,493	464,320	+113	84
Total, Nov., 1960—4 wks*	**97,833**	**549,447**	**241,432**	**228,345**	**328,827**	**329,025**	**1,774,909**	**+21**				**94,619**
Total, Oct., 1960—4 wks*	104,883	324,042	273,900	312,055	277,905	502,749	1,795,534	.....	.....	.....	.....	262,734
Total, Nov., 1959—4 wks*	85,950	317,087	289,881	256,589	275,849	236,277	1,462,233	.....	.....	.....	.....	95,205
Eleven Mos.,—1960 (47 wks)*	**1,287,713**	**5,001,034**	**3,200,588**	**3,149,256**	**4,584,672**	**3,805,382**	.....	.....	**21,028,645**	.....	**+14**	**1,778,633**
Eleven Mos.,—1959 (48 wks)*	1,200,775	4,035,355	3,285,690	3,335,486	3,833,699	3,130,911	.....	.....	.....	18,821,916	.....	1,358,505
% Change '59 to '60 (Av wk)	+10	+27	− 1	− 4	+22	+24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	+31

*Includes Alaska & Hawaii contracts

Union Funds to Finance Homebuilding

Fifteen unions affiliated with the Pittsburgh Building Trades Council will invest a portion of their health and welfare pension fund in home mortgages.

The total of these resources in cash, bonds, common stocks and long- and short-term federal government debt is estimated at between $30 million to $35 million.

The unions would also establish a private, nonprofit corporation to provide land purchase and development financing for builders. The corporation is expected to be capitalized initially at $750,000, which would provide a revolving fund for the land development loans. As the houses are sold, the pro-rata value of the home site would be repaid to the new corporation.

The two programs have several objectives, according to Anthony J. Furlan, president of the council. They would:

- Stimulate the housing market in the Allegheny County area by providing a source of mortgage money at interest rates below those prevailing in the region at any given time.
- Provide a source of funds for land financing for builders.
- Bring about greater use of unionized labor in homebuilding.
- Reduce the monthly cost of home ownership.
- Prove to builders that the cost of homebuilding with union labor is competitive with building with nonunionized labor.

The Pittsburgh Building Trades Council move into the home mortgage field is in line with a policy announced by the AFL-CIO Executive Council. George Meany, president, announced last summer that the federation would establish a mortgage-investment advisory center for its unions to encourage investment of funds in new mortgages at par (ENR Aug. 25, p. 80). Basic idea is to eliminate the discount frequently charged borrowers financing home purchases with government-backed mortgages. (When a mortgage—or any loan—is discounted, a borrower receives less cash than the amount he contracts to borrow, but pays interest on the contract amount and repays the contract amount. This raises the effective yield to the lender above the stipulated interest rate.)

The council now plans to provide mortgage financing at interest rates ½% to 1% below the 5.75% to 6% rates now prevailing in the area. There will be no service charge or placement fee, each of which runs to 1%. The mortgages will be serviced by a local bank at a cost of ½% or less of the mortgage volume handled.

The council will agree to accept mortgages on houses built by tract developers. Present plans call for accepting mortgages in tracts containing from 100 to 200 houses up to as many as 900 units. Mortgage-financing emphasis will be placed on houses priced in the $14,000 category.

Builders obtaining land purchase and development funds or agreements for mortgage financing from the new corporation will have to hire union workers.

It's estimated that more than 80% of Allegheny County homebuilders use nonunion labor.

Mr. Furlan says that many of the nonunion homebuilders try to cut costs by violating various building and plumbing codes.

Employment of union workers would bring enforcement of union regulations, forcing builders to abide by the local codes, according to Mr. Furlan. This in turn would result in better workmanship and materials, Mr. Furlan says.

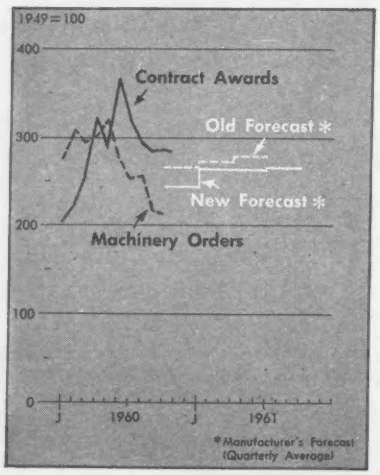
Equipment Orders Expected to Drop

Forecasts of new orders for equipment predict a fourth quarter volume slightly higher than the two-year low set by this year's third quarter. Then, in the first quarter of next year, a 7% rise is indicated, and the second and third quarters of next year are expected to hold at the pace of the first quarter.

This is the consensus of quarterly forecasts made in mid-October by manufacturers of construction and mining machinery reporting to the McGraw-Hill Economics Department. The manufacturers forecast that the fourth quarter will rise to an index value of 245, up from the third quarter average of 244. The first quarter value will rise 7% to 264, remain at 264 in the second quarter, and rise to 265 in the third quarter. The quarterly values are based on the average monthly dollar volume in 1949 as 100.

The new forecast is significantly lower than the predictions made earlier this year—in January, April and August. (See chart for August prediction and latest forecast.) For example, the forecast for the first quarter of 1961 is 3% below the August projection and 9% below the April forecast. The new forecast for next year's second quarter is 5% below the August estimate.

It's apparent that some of the equipment makers have become increasingly nervous about the outlook because their order books have filled at a slower pace than expected. This year's actual nine months' orders averaged 12% less than the forecast made in mid-January. Their forecast for January-September 1961 is that the new orders index will average 264, 5% below 1960 and 13% less than 1959's all-time high for the same period.



By contrast, ENR forecasts contractors' new heavy construction business in 1961 will be at least 3% greater than this year and will set a new record (ENR Sept. 8, p. 21). If contract awards increase any more than this, the equipment manufacturers may be too conservative in their latest forecast.

Actual business in October put volume of new orders at 142 on the index for Construction and Mining Equipment (see chart). This was about the same as September, which was revised down from 147 to 143, but 28% under one year ago. Contract awards, however, are at 286 on the index for October and at 283 in November. The contract index is based on 1949 as 100.

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Unions Study 'No Strike' Pledge on Canaveral

- **C. J. Haggerty is reviewing the system used during World War II to maintain defense construction.**
- **In return, the construction trades will want firm assurances they can hold on to their jobs if they give a no strike commitment.**
- **Meanwhile, work resumes at Cape Canaveral pending a report from a fact-finding board.**

AFL-CIO construction union leaders are seriously contemplating a no-strike pledge on missile base construction work—provided they receive assurances they can hold on to construction jobs.

This is the "quid pro quo," as one construction union official put it, behind the decision made last week by the Executive Council of the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department to review union no-strike pacts made during World War II. In that period, the craft unions worked without stoppages under a system of wage and work guarantees.

No formal pledge to halt walkouts on critical missile base projects is anticipated soon. In fact, the AFL-CIO leaders will wait until mid-February for a report on their practices during the war before they make up their minds.

In asking Building Trades President C. J. Haggerty to make the investigation, they specifically set February 15—the next meeting of the council—as the date for his report. In the meantime, the construction union officials were expected to take informal steps to cut down disputes, jurisdictional and otherwise, that have hit the missile program.

The building trades have already accomplished a great deal on the brick and mortar phase of the program, according to Army Chief of Engineers, Gen. Emerson C. Itschner. Speaking in Washington last week, General Itschner said that through the efforts of Mr. Haggerty and other union leaders, jurisdictional work stoppages have decreased 60% since last May. He attributed most of the construction delays, not to labor disputes, but to the frequency of government design changes and to late deliveries of equipment.

At the time of the two-day meeting of the building trades leaders in Washington, D. C., however, at least three jurisdictional disputes in the missile field were going on:

- At Walker Air Force Base in Roswell, N. M., a dispute between the carpenters and electricians caused a work stoppage.
- A truce between two unions, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the plumbers union, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration put employees back on the job, temporarily at least, at Cape Canaveral (see story below).
- The plumbers and machinists were at work, under court injunction, pending settlement of their differences over representation rights at Convair Astronautics Division near San Diego, Calif.

While these three trouble-spots were part of the discussion, the craft union leaders were aiming for a broad over-all plan that could prevent all missile work disputes. However, back of the search for a peace formula was the determination that the skilled crafts would not give up their jurisdiction to either government agency "technicians" or to industrial union workers.

This craft union stand was spelled out by plumbers President Peter T. Schoemann in an editorial in the United Association journal, which was released concurrently with the meetings of craft union leaders.

Mr. Schoemann urged his union members not to "strike or picket these jobs without our approval. . . . I appeal to local unions and their members." He wrote, "Stay on that missile base job. . . ." The international union officers, he added, would fight for their job rights.

On jurisdictional disputes between the craft unions, Mr. Schoemann urged the unions to rely on the National Joint Board for the Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes. But when it comes to disputes with non-craft unions, he indicated his union would stand firm:

"Now, who's going to do all this work? Is it going to be done by some 'technician' sent out from a plant or laboratory? Or is it going to be done by highly skilled and qualified craftsmen in the building construction industry?"

The problem, Mr. Schoemann said, is to "protect our jurisdiction but never at the expense of our country's safety."

Just how the craft union leaders can secure or hold the missile base construction work they feel entitled to has not been worked out. This is a major reason for review of wartime work practices by the craft unions.

During World War II a number of

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A fact-finding board set up by Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell arrived at Cape Canaveral, Fla., last week to probe differences between the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and members of the pipefitters and electrical workers unions.

At stake is construction progress on the Saturn and Centaur complexes—two of the heavy pay-load, advanced rocket projects of NASA.

The unions struck the Saturn project November 14, when NASA placed civil service technicians on the job doing work the unions claimed was similar to that being done under contract with union labor. The work involved connections on the firing consoles.

Four days later, all the construction trades in the Saturn and Centaur areas left their jobs. They did not return until Secretary Mitchell announced an agreement had been reached November 26 to mediate the dispute.

During the strike, NASA appealed to the National Labor Relations Board in Tampa for injunctive relief. It relied in the charges it filed on the

Missile Base Work

procedures were used, including a review board for disputes and a wage adjustment board. In return for systems to settle disputes and provide wage raises, the craft unions agreed not to strike.

Part of this working arrangement between the crafts and government agencies was to secure work for the construction unions. There were no stipulations providing such jobs in the agreements. But by virtue of their work pledge and cooperation with the federal officials, the craft unions won most of their sought-after work assignments.

What's contemplated now is the same kind of understanding. If and when the craft unions give up their right to strike, they want to secure the work assignments they believe to be theirs as a return.

There is an additional concern behind the desire of building trades leaders to find a solution to missile base stoppages –apart from the obvious one of national security. They anticipate, unless these job fights end, that they may be hurt by legislative moves in Congress.

Mr. Schoemann pointed out that the craft union campaign for easing Taft-Hartley picketing curbs on construction projects may be particularly affected if the missile work is delayed. The unions also face the possibility of legislation barring missile strikes.

Such a proposal was made in Congress last year, but the craft union leaders countered with a proposal for a 10-day notice before a strike could begin. While this was criticized in some quarters as too little and too late, many craft union leaders feel this is one effective answer–it would give the international union officials time to straighten out the job disputes between themselves.

Basically, this is what they still hope to achieve–a voluntary working arrangement without the addition of new settlement systems, such as a jurisdictional appeals board. No decision has been reached on that matter, however.

The pressure on the craft union leaders for a settlement procedure will continue. At the invitation of the Air Force, AFL-CIO leaders including President George Meany, are to tour missile bases next month to take a look at the labor situation.

Back in Business—For Now

law's boycott, not the jurisdictional, section because NASA is not technically an employer. The Tampa office asked the Washington office of the NLRB for instructions and permission to file a complaint. This was refused, but the intervening high-level discussions ended in the appointment of the Mitchell board.

The board is to recommend a settlement that will not be binding as a precedent. Members are: Harold Nystrom, acting solicitor of the Labor Department; Samuel Silver, Defense Department labor relations advisor; Clarence Barker, Air Force labor consultant; Harry Gorman, NASA representative; Frank Graham, electrical workers international union; and William Todd, United Association (plumbers union) official.

A key issue is whether the government is getting further into construction work and building up an in-house capacity to do so, to the disadvantage of private contractors and building tradesmen.

NASA contends it normally does the work from where the unions stop to the missiles–a phase of work it calls "interface". This was the procedure used, it reports, on the Redstone and Jupiter projects, where the work was done by Werner Von Braun's Huntsville, Ala., team of scientists, now part of NASA.

NASA claims that the interface work calls for specialized skills and scientist-technician cooperation. It says the work has never been defined or documented, that specifications have never been written and that the work cannot be contracted.

The amount of such work, NASA contends, is very "small" but the unions think it amounts to at least 10% of the total work and that it will grow in volume. Another Saturn pad will be build next year, making the unions even more anxious to fight the "government encroachment" at Canaveral.

One union official cited unemployment in the Huntsville area as a factor attracting union members in the construction trades into civil service and thus, in effect, building up NASA's in-house capability to handle its own construction work.

Situs Bill Pushed

That's labor's first goal in 10-point program

A 10-point legislative program headed by the situs picketing bill will be pushed in the 87th Congress by the AFL-CIO building trades unions.

The program will be formally launched the week of March 20, when the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department convenes its Seventh Annual Legislative Conference in Washington, D. C.

Contents of the program, as revealed last week by the department's executive council, embrace nothing new or startling. The unions will continue to press, without a deadline, as in the past, for repeal of Taft-Hartley Section 14(b), which authorizes states to pass right-to-work laws, and for amendments to the Landrum-Griffin labor law.

Included on the department's 10-point list of immediate objectives are:

- Passage of the situs picketing bill, which would exempt certain specified types of strikes at common construction sites from the present secondary boycott ban.
- Modernization of the Davis-Bacon structure, which establishes minimum (prevailing) wages for direct and some indirect federal construction work.
- Increase in the minimum wage to $1.25 an hour, plus extended coverage.
- Legislation to increase airport and road construction, urban renewal, slum clearance, housing and community improvement.
- Federal aid to education; including school construction.
- Aid to distressed areas.
- Medical care for the aged, using the Social Security approach.

Indiana Court Sentences Two Carpenter Officials

Two officials of the carpenters union were sentenced last week to two to 14 years in prison. They were convicted earlier on charges of conspiracy and bribery relating to highway right-of-way acquisitions in Indiana. Union funds were not involved.

The officers are Maurice Hutcheson, general president, and O. William Blaier, vice president. Both men have been released on bail pending appeal of the conviction.

The union's Executive Board and the AFL-CIO Building and Construction Trades Department have, meanwhile, given Mr. Hutcheson a vote of confidence.

Steel's Labor Problems Still Unsolved

The first installment of the basic wage increase won by the steelworkers last January went into effect last week. It ranged from 7 to 13 cents an hour and averaged 9.4 cents.

The increase brought the steel industry no closer to a freer hand in effecting production economies that might offset at least part of the cost of the increase—because no solution has yet been found to the work rules problem that was a major issue in the 116-day strike last year.

R. Conrad Cooper, executive vice president of U. S. Steel Corp., and David McDonald, president of the steelworkers union, announced that the work rules study committee set up under the labor contract failed to respond to the contract demand for a "report and recommendations" for work rule changes by November 30.

The committee, they said, will continue to function "despite its contractual termination." The co-chairmen expressed the hope that the committee would have some "results" to report prior to the expiration of the industry's basic contracts in June 1962.

Steel producers bound by the contracts have contended that existing work rules hinder their efforts to achieve plant efficiency. The union has denied this, and claims the rules merely protect the legitimate rights and interests of its members. The rules committee is supposed to study the issue and to recommend "mutually" agreeable solutions.

The committee's current failure, however, cannot be construed as an indictment of the general proposition that labor and management can make more headway on knotty problems outside of contract negotiations than they can in the charged atmosphere of the bargaining table. Two other committees in the industry, for example, are still quietly at work.

One is the Human Relations Research Committee, set up without a deadline under the basic steel agreements. The other is the Long-Range Committee established under the steelworkers' contract with Kaiser Steel Corp. Both committees are operating at committee and subcommittee levels and both are searching for ways to promote long-term, labor-management peace. The Kaiser committee is purposely avoiding publicity lest it defeat its purpose of getting away from the limelight that attends contract negotiations.

One of the reasons for the failure of the work rules committee to reach a terminal point is that it has attempted the laborious task of analyzing the arbitration decisions that have been handed down under the present contract provisions on work rule changes. Those provisions give workers the right to arbitrate work rule changes that management is entitled to make, at least on the face of the contracts.

The arbitration results thus become an essential factor in determining how much of an impact the current provisions have on management's right to manage, including the right to minimize production costs.

Net result is that the committee's work is still "exploratory." The committee has not even developed a sufficient sense of direction to agree on the selection of a neutral chairman.

The terminal date of the work rules committee was set for November 30 in apparent hope that the cost of the December 1 wage increase might be partly offset by mutually agreed upon work rule changes conducive to more economical production. Not only has that now failed, but the timing also finds the industry operating at less than 50% of capacity, forestalling any talk about across-the-board price increases.

The union, too, finds the increase coming at a bad time.

A union spokesman reported last week that 150,000 steelworkers were then unemployed, with another 300,000 working a short workweek. Heavy layoffs have meant a severe drain on supplementary unemployment benefit reserves and a critical drop in contributions to the SUB funds.

As a result of this only about half of the union's members are getting much out of last week's wage increase, while many of the balance will see their jobless pay dwindle as the various SUB funds make downward adjustments in their benefits to cope with shrinking reserves.

Labor in Brief . . .

• **Not entitled to benefits**—In a case involving a union plumber, the Idaho State Supreme Court has ruled that an unemployed worker who turns down "suitable employment" because of union rules cannot draw unemployment insurance. The plumber had declined a job because it carried a salary plus commissions, not union hourly wages of $3.50.

• **Safety meeting**—Rock and tunnel workers have returned to work on the South Fork Water and Power Project, Butte County, Calif., where a tunnel explosion killed one man last month. Union is negotiating with contractors on safety and has elected safety advisers for each shift. Following another explosion at Robbs Peak, state safety officials are calling a special safety meeting.

• **Charged with violence**—An official of Cone Brothers Contracting Co., one of the firms involved in the Florida highway scandals (ENR Dec. 1, p. 35), has been charged by the National Labor Relations Board of interfering with the right of Cone workers to organize, and of resorting to assault and battery. Other Cone employees have been charged with inciting violence.

• **Equal rights**—A permanent committee on apprenticeship opportunities for minority groups has been set up under the auspices of the California conference on apprenticeship. Committee represents labor, management and minority groups, and the California Apprenticeship Council. Head of the State Division of Fair Employment Practices is a consultant.

• **"No" to joint talks**—General Motors, Ford, Chrysler and American Motors have rejected Walter Reuther's proposed, permanent, auto industry joint labor-management conference for promoting labor peace. Most objected to discussing matters outside the scope of collective bargaining. American Motors said it looked like industry-wide or pattern bargaining, which it wants to avoid.

• **Prevailing wages**—The Assistant Comptroller General of the United States has ruled, in an opinion addressed to the U. S. Secretary of Labor, that the penalty provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply to construction work under the Federal Highway Act because the law failed to incorporate them. Blacklisting, he said, cannot be used.

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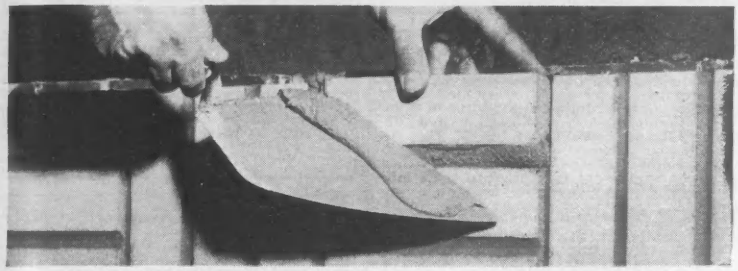

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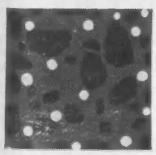

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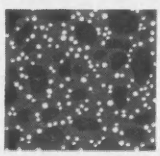

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b. AIR-ENTRAINING AGENTS, if needed, for use in hand mixes shall meet ASTM Designation C-260.

3. PROPERTY SPECIFICATIONS:

All field mortars shall be mixed, tested and used according to ASTM Designation C-270, except as follows:

No type O or K mortars shall be used in this project. Type N masonry-cement mortars shall be used for all masonry work, except where otherwise indicated. If high strength is required, a type M or S mortar may be designated. No lime shall be used in any mix.

4. PROPORTION SPECIFICATIONS:

The ASTM C-270 proportion specification shall apply except that no type O or K mortars shall be permitted in the work covered by these specifications. No lime shall be used in any mix.

5. MIXING:

All mortars in the field shall be mixed with a machine mixer for at least 5 minutes after all materials are in the drum. Hand mixing will only be permitted with written permission from the architect. If hand mixing is used, the air content of the mortar in the field shall be checked with an air meter to make certain that the air entrained is in excess of 11%. If the air entrained is less than 11%, an air-entraining agent shall be added in sufficient quantity to bring the air content of the field mortar up to 11%.

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Maps, plans and specifications may be examined and obtained at the following offices:

(a) Bureau of Contracts, 12th Floor, The Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany 1, New York.
(b) Mr. Robert W. Sweet, District Engineer, New York State Department of Public Works, 444 Van Duzee Street, Watertown, New York.
(c) Mr. William Mende, Principal Building Construction Engineer, Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York, City.

The deposit for a set of plans, specifications and proposal forms is $5.00. Refunds of deposits for plans, specifications and proposals will be made *only* in case the deposits of individual sets are $10.00 or more, per Chapter 835, Laws of 1960.

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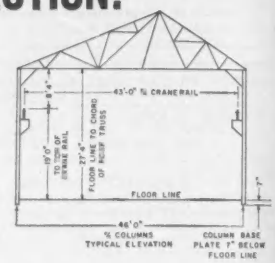
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Urban Headaches

THE EXPLODING METROPOLIS has had plenty of attention of late. In recent weeks at least three major books on urban problems have appeared: "The Squeeze" by Edward Higbee (Morrow), "Metropolis 1985" by Raymond Vernon (Harvard University Press), and "The Human Side of Urban Renewal" by Martin Millspaugh and Furney Breckenfeld (Washburn). CBS Television has produced a program called "Big City—1890." The American Municipal Association has met and called anew for more federal help with its members' problems (p. 78). Meanwhile, the Pedestrian League of America has stepped up its campaign against automobiles in the city.

Most of the prognostications for future urbia are pessimistic: "Cheer up, the worst is yet to come!" they seem to say. By 1985 U.S. population is expected to increase by more than 100 million over its present 180 million. The newcomers will cluster even more densely around our urban centers than does our present population. As commuter railroads and mass transit founder, the ever-growing hordes of commuting automobiles may yet create the ultimate, irresolvable traffic jam. Meanwhile, slums proliferate while commerce and industry decline in the big cities at great loss in tax revenue. And as tax revenues decline, the need for municipal services rises.

We choose optimism. The city is here to stay, and it will stay alive by rebuilding. Many cities have learned that they pay for procrastination in urban renewal at a high rate of compound interest. They are discovering that they can't afford not to rebuild. For redevelopment can raise the tax base of a blighted district from five to 10 times its original assessment. Moreover, urban slums and outworn municipal services can be financial burdens. A slum district seldom, if ever, pays its way; it is inevitably subsidized from the more prosperous sections of the city. More and more cities are learning this and doing something about it.

The chief obstacle to solving the cities' problems, as Dean John E. Burchard of MIT indicated in his TV appearance on "Big City—1980," is neither technological nor financial. It is human inertia. What distinguishes the cities that are vigorously attacking their problems from their apathetic counterparts is public, civic and business leadership. ENR's prize winning report on Pittsburgh and our more recent study of Philadelphia have proven that. The public responds to policies such as Philadelphia's expanding program of subsidized rail commuter service (ENR Oct. 13, p. 41). A whole city can respond to the contagion of civic pride once the leaders have incubated and passed the germ, as in Pittsburgh (ENR Nov. 19, 1959, p. 55).

Creation of a Department of Urban Affairs, anticipated under the Kennedy Administration, may provide leadership at the federal level as a substitute for leadership at the municipal level, where it should be, but where it is still lacking in too many places. Wherever the necessary leadership's source—in city hall, in business, in civic groups, in the White House—we need it, among private interests as well as throughout the body politic, for the solution of municipal problems. With leadership, we can confound the pessimists who predict we shall remain a step or two behind the cure of our most critical urban headaches throughout the foreseeable future.

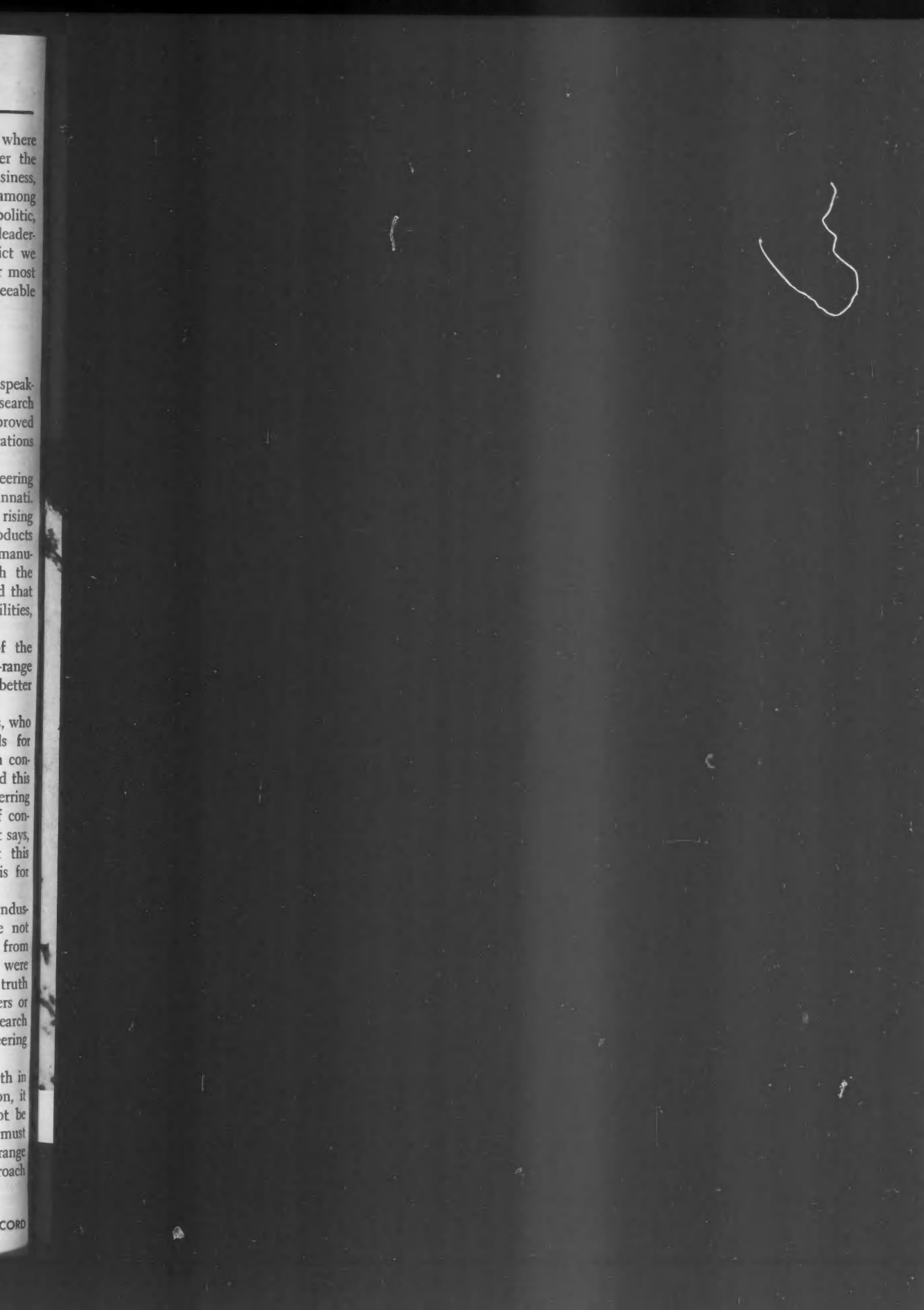
Cost Reduction

AN INTRIGUING QUESTION was asked by one of the speakers at the 1960 Fall Conference of the Building Research Institute: Why can't the techniques that have proved successful in lowering costs of manufacturing operations be applied to construction?

The speaker was R. J. Short, director, Engineering Exploration, The Proctor & Gamble Co., Cincinnati. He pointed out that building costs have been rising much more rapidly than those for factory products (ENR Nov. 24, p. 23). He then compared what manufacturing industries have done to cut costs with the efforts of the construction industry. He concluded that construction is loaded with cost-reduction possibilities, but too many of them are missed.

One reason for the relatively slow progress of the construction industry is lack of sufficient long-range research. Another is insufficient on-site study of better methods.

Manufacturers use specialists, industrial engineers, who search out and develop better, cheaper methods for getting a job done. "Why not use their talents in construction?" Mr. Short asks. His company has tested this concept in both design and construction, by transferring some of its industrial engineers to the problem of construction-cost reduction. Results to date, Mr. Short says, have thoroughly established the conviction that this approach is just as correct for construction as it is for manufacturing.

It is easy to think up excuses for not using the industrial engineering approach. The techniques have not been tried in construction; construction is different from manufacturing industries; even if new techniques were developed, the unions won't let us use them. The truth of the matter is that too few construction managers or designers have considered sponsoring long-range research into cost reduction or the use of industrial engineering principles.

If the technique works for Proctor & Gamble both in the factory and in building design and construction, it should work for others. Construction costs cannot be allowed to continue to rise unabated. Rising costs must be fought with every means at our disposal. Long-range research is one way; the industrial engineering approach is another.